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### ANNUAL MEETING,

—HELD AT—

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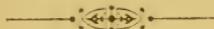
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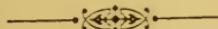
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## **SYNOD OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

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### **ORANGEBURG, S. C.,**

**1896.**

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, ORANGEBURG, S. C.,

TUESDAY, October 27, 1896. 8 P. M.

The Synod of South Carolina met according to adjournment and was opened with a sermon by the Moderator, Rev. J. G. Richards, from Exodus xiv: 15. "Speak to the children of Israel that they go forward."

At the conclusion of the sermon, the Synod was called to order, and led in prayer by the Moderator. The roll was then called and the following members were

#### **PRESENT.**

#### **BETHEL PRESBYTERY.**

Ministers—D. E. Jordan, J. H. Thornwell, Jno. G. Hall, C. W. Humphreys, J. M. McLain, D. N. McLauchlin, (3), W. M. McPheeters, Alex. Sprunt, W. G. Neville (3), M. R. Kirkpatrick, J. K. Hall, Jas. Russell, O. G. Jones. T. C. Ligon, W. T. Hall, Chalmers Moore, T. P. Doggett, (3).

Elders—D. L. Black, Bethesda Church; S. D. Patrick, Concord; H. G. McIlwain, Douglass; R. T. Gillespie, Ebenezer; J. M. Spratt,

Fort Mill; J. P. C. Caskey, Lancasterville; J. T. Lemmon, Lebanon; S. R. Johnston, Olivet; W. B. Boyd, Pleasant Grove; J. Hamilton, Purity; Wm. Whyte, Rock Hill; A. S. Douglas, Scion; Albert Brown, Union; G. H. O'Leary, Yorkville, R. O. Atkinson, Zion.

#### CHARLESTON PRESBYTERY.

Ministers—Thos. P. Hay, G. A. Blackburn, J. C. Oehler, J. Wm. Flinn, J. D. Tadlock, J. L. McLees, F. L. Leeper, H. G. Gilland, S. S. Laws, (2).

Elders—H. H. Wyman, (2), Aiken; C. W. Suber, 2nd Ch. Columbia; A. S. Bedon, Corinth; J. H. Groce, Ebenezer; C. Z. Peterkin, (3), Fort Motte; H. G. Walpole, James Island; F. Y. Legare, John's Island and Wadmalaw; A. W. Leland, New Wappetaw; Mortimer Glover, Orangeburg; J. A. Peterkin (2), Richland; J. A. Enslow, (2.) Westminster.

#### ENOREE PRESBYTERY.

Ministers—A. A. James, T. H. Law, W. P. Jacobs, (2), N. J. Holmes, C. B. Jennings, T. B. Craig, (2), W. S. Bean, (3), B. R. Anderson, (2), E. C. Murray, (2), D. A. Todd, (2), S. C. Todd, (2), Robert Adams, (2).

Elders—J. P. Saxon, (2), Bethany; M. S. Bailey, (2), Clinton; C. T. Becknill, Fairforest; J. L. Strain, Salem; A. A. Foster, Spartanburg; W. A. Nicholson, (2), Unionville.

#### HARMONY PRESBYTERY.

Ministers—Jas. McDowell, J. E. Dunlop, (2), N. W. Edmunds, (3), W. J. McKay, (2), W. W. Mills, J. E. Stevenson, V. R. Gaston, (2), J. C. Bailey.

Elders—R. C. McCutchen, (2), Bishopville; I. H. Alexander, (3), Camden; J. P. Richards, Liberty Hill; C. R. Harvin, Manning; I. W. Bradley, Mayesville; J. S. Evans, Midway; B. F. Wilson, (2), Mt. Zion; M. K. Yarboro, Pine Tree; W. D. Rhodes, (2), Salem (B. R.); A. White, Sumter.

#### PEE DEE PRESBYTERY.

Ministers—J. H. Dixon, J. G. Richards, A. H. McArn, D. M. Fulton, (2), E. C. Bailey, J. W. McClure.

Elders—M. McRae (2,) Carolina; W. E. James (2), Darlington; W. H. Day (2), Florence; John McSween (2), Timmonsville.

#### SOUTH CAROLINA PRESBYTERY.

Ministers—J. Lowrie Wilson, G. G. Mayes, S. L. Wilson, James Woodrow, R. P. Pell, J. N. H. Summerell (2), B. P. Reid.

Elders—W. A. Templeton, Abbeville; J. W. Norris, Anderson; C. J. Boggs, Pendleton.

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The Rev. Dr. W. M. McPheeters was elected Moderator and Elder W. A. Templeton Temporary Clerk.

On motion of Rev. J. L. McLees it was resolved that the hours for the daily Sessions of Synod be as follows:

From 9:30 A. M. to 1 P. M.

From 3:30 P. M. to 5:30 P. M.

From 8 P. M. to adjourn at will.

On motion of Rev. J. L. McLees, Rev. Dr. J. Lowrie Wilson was appointed to preach in this house to-morrow evening.

Synod then adjourned with prayer by the Moderator.

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## SECOND DAY.

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### MORNING SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, October 28, 9:30 A. M.

The Synod was opened with devotional exercises conducted by Rev. J. E. Dunlop.

The minutes of last night's session were read and approved.

The following members appeared, rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness and were enrolled :

Charleston Presbytery—Ministers: S. S. Laws, W. G. Vardell.

Elders—J. A. Peterkin, Richland; J. A. Enslow, Westminister.

Enoree Presbytery—Ministers: W. P. Jacobs, Robt. Adams, T. B. Craig, D. A. Todd, S. C. Todd, E. C. Murray, B. R. Anderson.

Elders—J. P. Saxon, Bethany; M. S. Bailey, Clinton; W. A. Nicholson, Unionville.

Harmony Presbytery—Ministers: J. E. Dunlop, W. J. McKay, V. R. Gaston.

Elders—B. F. Wilson, Mt. Zion; W. D. Rhodes, Salem (B. R.); R. C. McCutchen, Bishopville.

Pee Dee Presbytery—Ministers: A. H. McArn, D. M. Fulton, J. H. Dixon.

Elders—G. G. Palmer, Fair Hope; W. E. James, Darlington; W. H. Day, Florence; John McSween, Timmonsville; M. McRae, Carolina.

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The Rev. Alex. Sprunt, in behalf of the Permanent Committee on Home Missions, presented a report, which was adopted as follows:

That to-morrow, Thursday evening at 8 o'clock, the Synod will hold a Conference in the interests of Home Missions, and that the following members be appointed to address the Synod at that hour, viz: Rev. F. L. Leeper, Rev. J. H. Dixon, Rev. J. N. H. Summerell, Rev. B. P. Reid.

It is further suggested that a collection for Home Missions be taken up at the conclusion of this Conference, and that this collection be applied in the way Synod may direct.

The Moderator announced the following

### **Standing Committees:**

*1. Devotional Exercises.*

Minister—J. L. McLees.  
Elder—M. Glover.

*2. Bills and Overtures.*

Ministers—J. G. Richards, J. D. Tadlock, J. C. Oehler.  
Elders—A. W. Leland, Wm. Whyte.

*3. Judicial Business.*

Ministers—W. J. McKay, D. E. Jordan, W. W. Mills.  
Elders—J. A. Enslow, G. G. Palmer.

*4. Foreign Missions.*

Ministers—R. Adams, Jno. G. Hall, J. H. Dixon.  
Elders—W. H. Day, J. McSween.

*5. Home Missions.*

Ministers—N. J. Holmes, A. H. McArn, M. R. Kirkpatrick.  
Elders—B. F. Wilson, W. D. Rhodes.

*6. Education.*

Ministers—J. Woodrow, E. C. Murray, R. P. Pell.  
Elders—W. E. James, J. P. Saxon.

*7. Publication.*

Ministers—J. W. Flinn, J. K. Hall, A. A. James.  
Elders—A. Brown, J. H. Groce.

*8. Colored Evangelization.*

Ministers—W. P. Jacobs, O. G. Jones, V. R. Gaston.  
Elders—I. H. Alexander, A. S. Douglas.

*9. The Narrative.*

Ministers—A. Sprunt, D. M. Fulton, H. G. Gilland.

Elders—J. S. Evans, H. G. Walpole.

10. *The Theological Seminary.*

Ministers—J. H. Thornwell, B. P. Reid, J. C. Oehler.

Elders—A. White, G. H. O'Leary.

11. *Finance.*

Elders—J. Hamilton, C. R. Harvin.

12. *Minutes of Assembly.*

Ministers—W. T. Hall, J. L. Wilson, G. G. Mayes.

Elders—J. M. Spratt, A. A. Foster.

13. *Leave of Absence.*

Ministers—G. A. Blackburn, C. W. Humphreys, C. B. Jennings.

Elders—J. L. Strain, W. B. Boyd.

14. *Presbyterial Records.*

(1) Bethel—J. C. Oehler, I. H. Alexander.

(2) Charleston—A. Sprunt, C. R. Harvin.

(3) Enoree—Jas. McDowell, J. P. Richards.

(4) Harmony—M. R. Kirkpatrick, C. W. Suber.

(5) Pee Dee—R. P. Pell, A. S. Douglas.

(6) South Carolina—Thos. P. Hay, M. V. Yarbورو.

The Rev. Dr. Jordan, in behalf of the Permanent Committee on Publication, reported, recommending that Synod hear Dr. Hazen, Secretary of Publication, at 12 o'clock to-day. Adopted.

Rev. Dr. J. K. Hazen, Synod of Alabama, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

The several Presbyteries presented their Narratives and Statistical Reports. The former were referred to the Committee on the Narrative and the Statistical Reports are recorded in the Appendix.

On motion, the Moderator was instructed to appoint Committees to prepare memorials of the ministers whose death during the past year is reported.

Rev. E. M. Richardson, D. D., Synod of Memphis, was invited to sit as a corresponding member, and Rev. E. O. Watson, of the South Carolina Conference M. E. Church South, as a visiting brother.

The Moderator called attention to a certain clipping from the *Alabama Presbyterian*, which was received as information.

The several Presbyteries presented reports on Home Missions, viz: Bethel, Charleston, Enoree and South Carolina, the

latter being a verbal statement. All were referred to the Committee on Home Missions.

On motion, the Stated Clerk of Synod was instructed to communicate to the Presbyteries of Harmony, Pee Dee and South Carolina, the Synod's regrets that these Presbyteries have failed to send up the reports on Home Missions as required by Synod.

A communication from Rev. J. N. Craig, D. D., Secretary Home Missions, in relation to the Assembly's Home Mission Work, was read and referred to the Committee on Home Missions.

An appeal of H. L. Odiorne, an officer of Florence Church, against a decision of Pee Dee Presbytery, *In re Florence Church vs Ruling Elder J. P. Chase*, was presented. The document was referred to the Judicial Committee.

The Rev. Dr. Hazen, Secretary of Publication addressed Synod with regard to the work entrusted by the General Assembly to his hands.

On motion of Dr. Flinn it was

*Resolved* 1. That Synod has heard with pleasure the address of Dr. Hazen.

2. That the matter of said address be referred to the Standing Committee on Publication.

On motion, Rev. N. K. Bodie of the Lutheran Church was invited to sit as a visiting brother.

On motion, it was resolved that when Synod recede from business, it be until 8 P. M., in order to give the Presbyteries an opportunity to meet, and the committees that have business, to digest the same.

On motion, the Committee on Devotional Exercises was instructed to arrange and report as to the hearing of Rev. Dr. E. M. Richardson, Secretary of Education for the Ministry, and Prof. H. L. Smith, Ph. D., of Davidson College, with regard to the interests they represent.

The Moderator announced the following committees on deceased brethren:

*Rev. J. R. Dow*—J. A. Enslow, W. G. Vardell, H. G. Gilland.

*Rev. W. S. Wightman*—G. A. Blackburn, J. H. Groce, F. L. Leeper.

*Rev. D. E. Frierson*—B. P. Reid, J. L. Wilson, W. A. Templeton.

Synod then took recess till 8 P. M.

## EVENING SESSION.

8 p. m.

The Synod assembled at 8 o'clock and heard a discourse from the Rev. Dr. J. L. Wilson.

At the close of the sermon, Synod resumed business.

Rev. J. L. McLees, for the Committee on Devotional Exercises, recommended that Synod now hear Prof. H. L. Smith, Ph. D., in regard to Davidson College, which report was adopted, and Dr. Smith addressed Synod.

On motion the address of Dr. Smith was referred to the Committee on Education.

Rev. J. N. H. Summerell and Elder H. H. Wyman of Aiken Church, were excused for tardiness and enrolled.

On motion, the standing order for a Conference on the state of religion and the work of the Presbyteries, was passed over.

Rev. S. L. Wilson of the Permanent Committee on Colored Evangelization, presented the report of the Committee which was referred to the Standing Committee on this cause.

Rev. John Owens of the S. C. Conference, M. E. Church South, was invited to sit as a visiting brother.

Rev. B. P. Reid, of the Permanent Committee on Education presented its report, which was heard and referred to the Standing Committee on that subject.

Rev. J. L. McLees, for the Committee on Devotional Exercises recommended:

That it be the first order for to-morrow morning to hear the Rev. Dr. Richardson, the Assembly's Secretary of Education for the Ministry, which was adopted.

Also that a Conference on Foreign Missions follow after one hour devoted to Home Missions, to-morrow evening. But a substitute was adopted, to devote the time to the consideration of Home Missions only.

Rev. W. W. Mills, Secretary, presented the report of the Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary, which was heard and referred to the Standing Committee on the same.

The Synod then adjourned with prayer till to-morrow morning.

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THIRD DAY.

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## MORNING SESSION.

THURSDAY, October 29, 9:30 A. M.

The Synod was opened with devotional exercises conducted by the Rev. J. N. H. Summerell.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The following members appeared, rendered excuses for tardiness and were enrolled :

Ministers—W. S. Bean, N. W. Edmunds, W. G. Neville, D. N. McLauchlin.

Elders—C. Z. Peterkin, Fort Motte Church, Charleston Presbytery. S. G. McClary, Union, and I. H. Alexander, Camden, both of Harmony Presbytery.

It was reported on behalf of Bethel Presbytery that the Rev. J. P. Doggett had been received into that Presbytery during the sessions of Synod, and he was accordingly enrolled as a member of this body.

The Rev. Dr. S. H. Chester, Synod of Nashville, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Charleston Presbytery presented its answer to the criticism of Synod upon its records last year. A motion to refer the paper to the Committee on the records of said Presbytery was rejected. On objection to the immediate consideration of the paper, it was placed on the docket to be considered in connexion with the report on the Records of the Presbytery.

An overture from Pee Dee Presbytery relating to the consolidation of that Presbytery with Harmony and the transfer of a part of Chesterfield Co., to Bethel Presbytery was referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

An overture from Liberty Hill Church, Harmony Presbytery, asking to be transferred to Bethel Presbytery, was referred to the same Committee.

Rev. Dr. McKay presented a report of the Judicial Committee on the appeal of H. L. Odiorne, from a decision of Pee Dee Presbytery, which was received and docketed.

Rev. Alex. Sprunt presented the report of the Committee on the Records of Charleston Presbytery which was docketed.

The Committee on the Records of Bethel, South Carolina and Harmony Presbyteries presented reports recommending approval. Adopted.

Rev. Dr. Jacobs presented the report of the Standing Committee on Colored Evangelization, which was docketed.

The Rev. N. J. Holmes for the Select Committee, on the removal of the Theological Seminary, appointed last year, presented a report which was accepted and the Committee discharged. The report is as follows:

Report of Committee appointed at last meeting of Synod to confer with similar committees from the other associated Synods as to the removal of the Seminary at Columbia:

The Committee would report that they notified the chairman of the Committee from the Synod of Georgia that they were ready to confer with them as to any suggestion or proposition that they might make, and asked the chairman of that Committee to call a meeting of the Committees at any time and we would attend. In reply we found that they had not at that time made or agreed upon any plan, and we have received no call for the Committee to meet since, and we infer that nothing has been done and we ask to be discharged.

N. J. HOLMES, Chairman.

The Rev. Jas. McDowell, for the Committee on the Records of Enoree Presbptery, presented a report which was adopted as follows:

Committee on Records of Enoree Presbptery report that we recommend the approval of the same with two exceptions:

1st. That three meetings of Presbptery adjourned without prayer (Oct. 25, 26 and Dec. 13.)

2nd. That in examination of Licentiate S. C. Todd he was excused from being examined on Greek, Hebrew and Philosophy.

JAMES McDOWELL.

J. P. RICHARDS.

The Rev. Dr. Woodrow of the Select Committee (of last year) on amending the rules of Synod presented a report which was docketed.

The Conference on the state of religion and the work of the Presbyteries, was dispensed with for this meeting.

It was made the first order for this afternoon to hear Dr. Chester, Secretary of Foreign Missions, and the report of the Standing Committee on the same subject.

It was made the second order for this afternoon to take from the docket and consider the report on Judicial Business.

It was also made the second order for this morning to take from the docket and consider the papers on the Records of Charleston Presbytery, and the report on Colored Evangelization.

The Rev. T. H. Law presented the report of the Permanent Committee on the Bible Cause.

The report was received and the recommendations were adopted. (See Appendix.)

The Rev. N. J. Holmes for the Permanent Committee on Christian Education, stated that there was no report to present, and moved that Rev. Alex. Sprunt be made chairman of the Committee in his stead. Adopted.

The Stated Clerk presented his report as Treasurer of Synod, which was referred to the Committee on Finance. (For report see Appendix.)

The Rev. R. P. Pell presented the report of the Committee on the Records of Pee Dee Presbytery, which was docketed.

The Rev. Dr. Richardson, Secretary of Education for the Ministry, then addressed Synod, and on motion, the address was referred to the Committee on Education.

On motion, the second order for the day was suspended, to hear the report of the Committee on the Theological Seminary, and of the Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions. Both were read; the first was docketed, and it was made the order for this evening after Home Missions are considered, to hear the faculty of the Seminary, with the understanding, if there be not sufficient time, that this shall be the first order for to-morrow morning. The report on Foreign Missions was referred to the Standing Committee on the same subject.

The second order was then called and the report on Colored Evangelization was taken from the docket, and the recommendations were, on motion, considered seriatim. The report was amended and adopted as follows:

Your Committee on Colored Evangelistic labor, have decided to submit for the action of Synod, the recommendations proposed by the Executive Committee. In order not to embarrass the action of the Synod, we make no change in the suggestions, on our part. The importance of the subject is so thoroughly recognized, and so fully

set forth in the report of the Permanent Committee, that we add no words of our own.

W. P. JACOBS, Chairman.

Synod took recess till 3:30 P. M.

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AFTERNOON SESSION.

3:30 P. M.

The Synod resumed business.

The pastor of the Methodist Church in this city having kindly tendered the use of their church building to Synod, thanks were returned and the offer accepted if the house should be needed.

The Rev. Dr. Jacobs presented the report of the Board of Visitors of Thornwell Orphanage, which was received as information and ordered to be printed in the Appendix of the Minutes. And Mr. A. B. Morse of Abbeville was appointed one of the Trustees of the Synod, in place of Rev. Dr. J. E. Fogartie, removed from our bounds.

On motion of Rev. J. L. McLees, Synod resolved to recede from business for a few minutes at 5 o'clock.

The unfinished business was resumed and Synod took up the answer of Charleston Presbytery to the criticism of Synod last year on the Records of Presbytery. And it was resolved that Synod receive the answer as information. It is as follows :

*To the Synod of South Carolina:*

MR. MODERATOR:—The following is the answer of Charleston Presbytery to the Synod's exception to Minutes of Presbytery, and direction to review and correct its action, (pages 18 and 19 Minutes of Synod 1895.)

1. "The Synod evidently lacked information as to our local conditions and as to our purposes.
2. "Presbytery does not know what law it has violated, and Synod failed to specify paragraph erred against.
3. "Should Reuben James appear before this Presbytery again, and should the Assembly approve the action of Synod, the Presbytery will give the matter its most earnest consideration, and will correct any error that may be made to appear."

Adopted in Presbytery at its meeting in Walterboro, S. C., April 9th, 1896.

H. G. GILLAND,  
Stated Clerk of Charleston Presbytery.

The report of the Committee on the Records of Charleston Presbytery was taken up and, pending its consideration, the business was laid on the table to take up the order of the day.

The Rev. Robt. Adams, for the Standing Committee on Foreign Missions, presented a report, and while a motion to adopt was pending, the Rev. Dr. Chester, Secretary of Foreign Missions, was heard. And the report was adopted excepting the 4th resolution, which was docketed, but subsequently adopted also. The report is as follows:

The Standing Committee on Foreign Missions, having carefully considered the report of the Permanent Committee, recommends:

1. That Synod adopt all the recommendations of that report except the second.
2. That for the second recommendation, Synod substitute the following:

That, in the event of debt remaining after the October receipts are all in, pastors and Sessions be urged to call the attention of the parishes to the fact, and to make special efforts for the raising of money for the payment of the debt.

3. That Sessions be urged to see that funds contributed for this cause be promptly forwarded to the Assembly's Treasurer.
4. That the resignation of the Permanent Committee be not accepted; and that Rev. D. N. McLauchlin be, in place of Rev. D. E. Frierson, D. D., deceased, made a member of it.
5. That the entire report be published in the Minutes.

ROBERT ADAMS, Chairman.

The report of the Committee on the Records of Charleston Presbytery, approving the same as far as written, was adopted.

The second order was called, viz: the report of the Judicial Committee. Pending the consideration of this matter, the hour for recess arrived and the time was extended a half hour. And it was also resolved that when Synod take recess, this matter be laid on the table until to-morrow morning.

The Synod, while this matter was still under consideration, took recess till 8 o'clock, the question before the house being on an amendment to the Committee's report offered by Rev. Dr. Jordan.

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#### EVENING SESSION.

8 P. M.

Synod re-assembled and the order of the evening was taken

up, viz, the Conference upon Home Missions, which was presided over by Rev. Alexander Sprunt.

After devotional exercises, the Rev. N. J. Holmes, Chairman, presented the report of Committee on Home Missions. A motion was made to adopt the recommendations of the report. Addresses were then made by Rev. Messrs. Summerell, Reid, and Sprunt, after which a collection was taken up for this cause amounting to \$40.26. The report of the Committee was adopted and is as follows:

The Standing Committee on Home Missions would report as follows to the Synod :

#### I.

The reports from the various Presbyteries show the following state of facts :

1. That only one Presbytery has had an Evangelist employed during the last year and that is the Presbytery of Charleston which is doing active progressive work.

2. All the churches in some of the Presbyteries and most of them in others are in some way supplied with regular preaching.

3. Only two of the Presbyteries report the amounts collected for Local Home Missions, and only one the Assembly's Home Missions. Bethel Presbytery has contributed \$1184.00 for Local Home Missions, and \$452.00 for the Assembly's Home Missions. Enoree Presbytery has contributed \$400.00 for Local Home Missions.

4. There is great destitution shown in the different Presbyteries which demands the attention of the Synod in the way of Evangelistic Work. In the Presbytery of Pee Dee the Committee is informed that in the county of Horry there is but one church, in Darlington only three, Florence three, and in Chesterfield four. And the Presbytery finds itself utterly unable to compass the work. In the Presbytery of Harmony, there is Georgetown without a single church, and Kershaw with only three active churches, and other counties greatly needing Mission work. And that Presbytery is represented as absolutely unable to do the work. The Presbytery of Charleston seems to have a number of very weak churches dependent on the work they can get from the students at intervals. In the Presbytery of South Carolina there seems to be great need of work which the Presbytery is not doing on account of past indebtedness and other causes. In the Presbytery of Enoree there is a large portion of Spartanburg and Greenville Counties—the two largest counties in the Presbytery—with only two weak churches struggling for existence, though the other portions of these counties are fairly well supplied with churches, except at the Cotton Mills. This Presbytery reports about twenty Cotton Mill towns and villages where there is no Presbyterian Church. This

Presbytery has just elected an Evangelist for this work, but even that can by no means compass the work at those mills.

Bethel Presbytery, perhaps the strongest in the Synod, has the least mission territory and is in better condition for doing mission work than any of the others.

## II.

From reports of the Secretary of the Assembly's Home Missions Committee, we find that (1) its funds have fallen short of last year's to the amount of \$1000 00, and that \$300.00 will be needed within the next forty-five days to pay the salaries of one hundred missionaries and laborers in that field. (2) The \$50,000.00 called for will require 6% of pastors' salary to raise it. And to raise the amount asked for Invalid Fund will require  $2\frac{1}{2}\%$  of pastors' salary. We submit the following tabulated statement of the Secretary as to these funds as part of this report, and recommend that the Presbyteries endeavor to raise the amount asked for, and that Treasurers having any of these funds in hand forward them to the Treasurer of Assembly's Home Missions Committee.

| Presbyteries.                   | Gen. Home Mis.  |                  | Invalid Fund.   |                  |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|
|                                 | Amount<br>asked | Amount<br>raised | Amount<br>asked | Amount<br>raised |
| Bethel Presbytery.....          | \$ 1017         | \$ 193           | \$ 423          | \$ 161           |
| Charleston Presbytery.....      | 1012            | 21               | 421             | 121              |
| Enoree Presbytery .....         | 710             | 81               | 295             | 135              |
| Harmony Presbytery .....        | 468             | 135              | 186             | 124              |
| Pee Dee Presbytery.....         | 300             | 59               | 125             | 43               |
| South Carolina Presbytery ..... | 706             | 131              | 293             | 112              |
| Total asked .....               | \$ 4213         |                  | \$ 1743         |                  |
| Total raised, to Oct. 27.....   |                 | \$ 620           |                 | \$ 626           |

As to Local Home Missions, your Committee would recommend that the Synod undertake the evangelistic work within its bounds in the destitute regions wherever it can be done in harmony with the work and plans of the Presbyteries; and to this end, that an Executive Committee of three ministers and three elders be appointed to take charge of the work, with authority to arrange all details of the work, so as not to interfere with the work of any Presbytery without its consent and co-operation. That they employ men to do the work and fix their salaries and assign them work—one or more of whom shall be expected to present the cause of Home Missions and raise the funds, and the others put in the field as fast as the funds are raised.

N. J. HOLMES, Chr. Com.

The same Committee was instructed to bring in a supple-

mental report, nominating the Executive Committee called for in the report.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises reported recommending that Rev. Dr. Thornwell preach in this house to-morrow evening, which was adopted.

Prof. W. M. McPheeters, D. D., of the Columbia Seminary was heard in regard to that institution.

On motion, Synod adjourned with prayer by Dr. Woodrow, to meet to-morrow at 9 A. M.

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#### FOURTH DAY.

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##### MORNING SESSION.

FRIDAY, October 30, 9 A. M.

The Synod was opened with devotional exercises conducted by Rev. G. A. Blackburn.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Rev. N. J. Holmes for the Committee on Home Missions reported, nominating the Executive Committee on Home Missions. The following were nominated and chosen, viz : Rev. Messrs. W. G. Neville (Chairman), R. P. Pell and C. M. Richards and Elders W. A. Nicholson, Geo. H. Cornelison and John McSween.

The Rev. Dr. W. T. Hall presented the report of the Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly, which was adopted and is as follows :

The Committee on Minutes of the General Assembly have examined the same and beg leave to offer the following report:

1. We call attention of the Synod to recommendations one (1), two (2), and three (3) in the report of the Standing Committee on the Assembly's Home and School (page 583).

2. We recommend that the Synod take exception to the action of the General Assembly approving the contract entered into between the Mayor and Commonalty of the town of Fredericksburg and the Assembly's Home and School, on the ground that the contract is inconsistent with the views held by our Church as to the relation of Church and State, (pages 583, 584, 601.)

3. On page 586 the Assembly commends to the Synods the propriety of observing the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the formulation of the Westminster symbols of doctrine. Your Committee recommend that order be taken by this Synod to celebrate this event in connection with the sessions of the Synod of 1897. To carry this order into effect it is recommended that the Synod appoint an *ad interim* Committee to prepare a programme of commemorative exercises and to select speakers for the occasion.

4. On page 615 is found an exception to the Records of the Synod of South Carolina. The Assembly excepts to the following action of the Synod: "The Synod recommends to its Presbyteries that when the students fail to pass any of the examinations at the Seminaries, the Presbyteries require of them a satisfactory explanation of the failure and in case such an explanation is not forthcoming, either refuse to license them until they make good their deficiency or license them as extraordinary cases." The ground of exception is that the action of the Synod "recommends for licensure students who have failed to reach the minimum standard of scholarship." In the judgment of your Committee the action of the Synod was designed to prevent the very result which the Assembly construes it as recommending. It requires all students who are not regarded as extraordinary cases to come up to the prescribed standard of scholarship before they are licensed. It consents to the licensure of any who have failed to reach the required standard only on the condition that they be regarded as extraordinary cases. It is recommended that the Synod respectfully express its regret that the Assembly should have been led to take exception to its Minutes in consequence of a misapprehension.

The report of the Committee on Finance was presented and adopted as follows:

*To the Synod of South Carolina:*

Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the report of the Treasurer of Synod, would respectfully submit that it has examined the accounts included in said report and find the same correct. Your Committee recommends that the assessments upon the Presbyteries for the ensuing year remain same as heretofore, viz. :

|                           |         |
|---------------------------|---------|
| Eethel Presbytery         | \$40 00 |
| Enoree "                  | 35 00   |
| Harmony "                 | 25 00   |
| South Carolina Presbytery | 35 00   |
| Charleston "              | 30 00   |
| Pee Dee "                 | 15 00   |

JAMES HAMILTON, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. D. E. Jordan presented the following report of the Permanent Committee on Publication and Colportage, which was received as information :

The Synod's Permanent Committee on Publication and Colportage respectfully report,

1. That the receipts of the Assembly's Committee from the churches have fallen off quite heavily for the last two or three years.

2. That in consequence of this falling off, no Colportage work has been done in our bounds during the past year.

The Rev. J. G. Richards for the Committee on Bills and Overtures presented a report which was adopted and is as follows :

Your Committee on Bills and Overtures would report in answer to the Overture from the Presbytery of Pee Dee that they have examined the same and recommend the following action to Synod ;

1. Inasmuch as both Harmony and Pee Dee Presbyteries seem to be in better condition than they have been in several years past, and inasmuch as the Synod has determined to enter upon Evangelistic work as a Synod, that no steps be taken at the present time, toward the reunion of these Presbyteries.

2. That the county of Chesterfield, with the exception of the churches of Cheraw and Orange Hill, be set off from Pee Dee to Bethel Presbytery.

3. In answer to the Overture from the Liberty Hill Church asking to be transferred from Harmony to Bethel Presbytery, your Committee recommend that the request be granted and the church be thus transferred.

In behalf of the Committee,

J. G. RICHARDS, Chairman.

It was resolved to hold a memorial service this evening at the close of the sermon, at which time the Minutes concerning deceased brethren will be heard.

The first order of the day was called and Synod heard Profs. J. D. Tadlock, D. D., W. T. Hall, D. D., and S. S. Laws, D. D., concerning the Theological Seminary.

The report of the Committee on the Seminary was adopted and is as follows : The name of Dr. Thornwell being added to that of Dr. McPheeters as fraternal delegate to the Associated Synods.

The Committee on Theological Seminaries would respectfully re-

port to the Synod, that they have carefully examined all matters entrusted to their consideration. We find that the Board of Directors has held but one meeting during the year, at which all the members from this Synod were present, and that the Rev. James Stacy, D. D., of Georgia, and Rev. W. W. Mills of South Carolina, were elected for the ensuing year as President and Secretary, respectively, of the Board.

Your Committee notes with sorrow the death of Col. R. L. McCaughrin, an able and efficient member of the Board from this Synod. The Board, under requirements of the Constitution, filled the vacancy by the appointment of W. A. Clark to serve until the meeting of Synod. We call attention to the fact that the terms of Rev. A. A. James and W. T. Thompson, D. D., also expire at this time.

We recommend that the Synod heartily and cordially endorse the re-election of Rev. J. D. Tadlock, D. D., and Rev. S. S. Laws, D. D., to the chairs now held by them.

We recommend that on the last Sabbath in November ministers be requested to preach a sermon, recounting the past history and the present needs of the Seminary, and that on that day a collection be taken up for the current expenses of the same.

We respectfully recommend to the Synod that the Rev. W. M. McPheeters, D. D., and Rev. J. H. Thornwell, D. D., be instructed to visit the Associated Synods as fraternal delegates and press upon them the present needs of this institution, and our earnest desire for an increasing interest in their prayers and affections.

We note with pleasure the fact that fifteen, out of nineteen candidates for the ministry, from this Synod are pursuing their studies at Columbia, and we respectfully suggest that as far as practicable, our Presbyteries induce their candidates to attend Columbia Seminary.

The financial condition of the Seminary is about as in other years. We have in nominal assets about two hundred and forty thousand dollars. This statement while accurate is misleading, for some at least of this property has no market value, and the entire available income from all sources is only eleven thousand five hundred dollars. A statement of expenditures is hereby attached, appropriately corrected for the information of the Synod:

|                           |            |
|---------------------------|------------|
| Professors' Salaries      | \$9,300 00 |
| Treasurer's Salary        | 600 00     |
| Matron's        "         | 200 00     |
| Expenses, Board Directors | 240 00     |
| Students' Fund            | 675 00     |
| Secretary's Salary        | 100 00     |
| Librarian                 | 50 00      |
| Library                   | 200 00     |
| Insurance                 | 60 00      |

Add to this insurance, and other necessary incidental expenses, and it will at once be seen that the amount on hand is insufficient for meeting the needs of the institution. The wonder is, to your Committee, how the Board with those meager funds at command were able to conduct the affairs of the Seminary by overdrawing only to the amount of \$200.00. Instead of censure we commend them for their expenditure, and respectfully suggest for their consideration that it is preferable to use the invested funds rather than let the Seminary suffer from inefficiency.

Your Committee call the especial attention of the Synod to the fact that from the reading of the record, we find that there is \$745.00 due of unpaid interest. As we do not know the reasons we pass no judgment, but respectfully suggest that, ordinarily, the interest should be promptly collected.

We also call attention to the fact that in the list of assets we find, "Wine Company, due October 7, 1895, \$2653.00."

We recommend that the Faculty of the Seminary be given an hour in which to present the claims of this noble institution.

The Synod calls upon the alumni, and friends of this "school of the prophets" for renewed efforts in her behalf and loving remembrance in their prayers, that she may enter "upon a career of unprecedented prosperity and usefulness."

J. H. THORNWELL, Chairman.

The following were elected Directors: For the unexpired term of R. L. McCaughrin deceased, W. A. Clark, Esq.; for the full term of three years, Rev. W. M. McPheeters, D. D., and Rev. A. A. James.

The hour for recess was postponed.

The unfinished business, viz : the report of the Judicial Committee on the appeal of H. L. Odiorne against the judgment of Pee Dee Presbytery, was taken up. The Rev. Dr. Jordan was allowed to withdraw his amendment. And the Rev. A. H. McArn, who represented the Presbytery before Synod, presented the following as a substitute for the Committee's report which was adopted :

*Resolved*; That the case be sent back to the Presbytery for a re-hearing, with directions that Presbytery see that errors of form are corrected, and hear and decide the case on its merits.

Synod receded from business until 3.30 o'clock.

## AFTERNOON SESSION.

3.30 p. m.

Synod resumed business.

The report of the Committee on Records of Pee Dee Presbytery was adopted, approving the said records, excepting so much as relates to the judicial case which has been sent back for a rehearing.

On motion of Rev. E. C. Murray, Synod took from the docket a paper relating to the Presbyterian College at Clinton, S. C. The paper placed on docket last year was withdrawn, and the following was unanimously adopted in its stead :

Synod deems it inadvisable to undertake the control of the College, but recognises it, as now constituted, as an institution of learning in which we are deeply interested, and authorises its Board of Directors to report annually, for our information, to this body.

The Rev. Dr. Woodrow presented the report of the Committee on Education, which was adopted as follows :

The Standing Committee on Education respectfully reports as follows :

1. It has carefully considered the report of the Permanent Committee and recommends that the same be printed in the Appendix of the Minutes and that the recommendations contained in it be made the first order of the day on second day of the next meeting of Synod.

2. The Synod has heard with great pleasure and interest the address of Prof. H. L. Smith, Ph. D., setting forth the excellent condition and superior advantages of Davidson College.

3. It has also listened with satisfaction to the address of the Rev. Dr. E. M. Richardson, Secretary of Education, on the subjects intrusted to his care by the General Assembly.

JAMES WOODROW, Chairman.

Darlington was chosen as the place of the next meeting, and Friday before the fifth Sabbath in October, (29th), 10 a. m. the time.

Rev. E. C. Murray presented the following which was docketed for consideration at the next meeting in connection with the recommendations of the report on Education.

Synod, in order that it may be kept informed of the methods of its

Presbyteries in dealing with their candidates for the ministry, and that it may secure uniformity in those methods, and that it may keep before the minds of its Presbyteries the various directions and recommendations of Synod on this subject, hereby directs the Chairman of its Permanent Committee of Education to obtain annual reports from the Presbyterial Chairmen of Education, in answer to the following questions:

1. Do your ministers bring to the attention of their congregations the subject of education for the ministry in all its departments, and urge upon their young men the question of the call to the ministry?
2. What methods do your Presbytery and Sessions employ to secure worthy candidates; and what precautions do they use against undertaking the support of unworthy men?
3. Does your Presbytery furnish its candidates with certificates of permission to enter the Theological Seminary?
4. Does it require, a letter from each of its candidates to the Chairman of Education before each regular meeting of Presbytery; and does it have the reports of its candidates in the various institutions read in open session of Presbytery?
5. What testing system does your Presbytery employ in licensing and ordaining your candidates?
6. Does your Presbytery require of a student failing to pass any of his examinations at the Seminary a satisfactory explanation of such failure, and when such explanation is not forthcoming, does it refuse to license the student until he makes good his deficiency, or, if licensing him, treat his case as an extraordinary one?
7. Do you require from your candidates that are not attending any institution, a report of what they are doing and an explanation of why they are not prosecuting their studies?
8. Does your Presbytery, in receiving candidates, notify them that it shall be their duty if at any time they be dropped from the roll of candidates, to return any money that they may have received from the Church's treasury?
9. Does your Presbytery, with a view to increasing the interest in the cause of Education and strengthening the weak fields, keep before its candidates the strong claims of Home Mission fields upon those entering the ministry, especially upon those that have received aid from the church in their preparation for the ministry?

The Rev. Dr. Flinn presented the report of the Committee on Publication, which was adopted as follows :

The Committee has carefully considered the information put into its hands through the Minutes of the Assembly, The Annual Report of the Committee on Publication, and the address of the Secretary and Treasurer of said Committee, Rev. Dr. Jas. K. Hazen, and recommends the adoption of the following:

1. Synod hereby expresses its gratification at the skilful and successful management of the work as shown in the progressive enlargement of all its departments and in the prosperous condition of its finances.

2. Synod heartily commends the Committee's publications to the liberal patronage of our people—recommending especially to the Sunday Schools the employment of the Committee's Lesson Helps, including the Supplemental lessons on the doctrines, polity and history of our Church.

Synod also recommends that Sessions and Sunday Schools purchase and distribute the valuable Presbyterian Year Book published by the Committee.

3. Synod calls to the attention of Presbyteries, for their consideration, the Assembly's recommendation (Minutes p. 609). that Presbyteries combine their Sabbath School and Publication Committees and work in harmony with the Publication Executive Committee.

4. Synod recommends to the Presbyteries that in the prosecution of their Evangelistic work they keep the Sabbath School work prominent and co-operate therein with the Publication Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. FLINN, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. McKay presented the following resolution which was adopted:

*Resolved*; That the Synod of South Carolina hereby express its appreciation of the work that is being done by the *Southern Presbyterian* in furtherance of the cause of religion and morals, and especially within the bounds of this Synod. That it assure its Editor of its sympathy with him in his efforts for this end.

That it cordially commends the *Southern Presbyterian* to the support and patronage of our people.

The report of the Select Committee on changes of the rules, &c., was taken from the docket, and on motion of Dr. Woodrow it was resolved that the consideration of the report be docketed for the next Synod, and that the Committee be continued and that the Rev. Alexander Sprunt be made Chairman. The paper is as follows:

The Committee appointed at the last meeting of Synod to consider Standing Rule No. 5 and "also to consider and recommend any changes in the Standing Rules of Synod that may seem desirable," respectfully recommend

1. That all existing Permanent Committees be discharged, and that the Rule requiring the appointment of these Committees be rescinded.

2. That Standing Rule 11 be changed so as to read: "The Presbyteries, in acquainting the Synod with the condition and progress of religion within their bounds, shall present to Synod every year separate Reports setting forth all facts relating to Foreign Missions, Home Missions, Education, Publication and Colportage, Colored Evangelization, and the Bible Cause, with statements of all funds raised and expended in their bounds for each cause."

3. That the third item on the docket shall be amended by adding the words "and other" after the word "Statistical."

JAMES WOODROW, Chairman.

On motion the following Committee was appointed to arrange for the celebration of the 250th anniversary of the Westminster Standards:

W. J. McKay, D. D., J. W. Flinn, D. D., Rev. D. [M. Fulton and Judge J. S. Cothran.

The Rev. Alexander Sprunt presented the Narrative prepared by the Committee, which was adopted (Appendix).

The Rev. G. A. Blackburn presented the report of the Committee on Leave of Absence which was ordered to record without reading. It is as follows:

Your Committee on Leave of Absence report that they have excused for absence from this meeting, Dr. S. M. Smith, Dr. J. L. Girardeau, Rev. W. C. Smith and Rev. D. S. McAllister, and granted leave of absence to the following:

Dr. W. P. Jacobs, Friday; Mr. M. S. Bailey, Friday; Mr. S. R. Johnson, Thursday; Mr. W. A. Neel, Friday; Mr. C. R. Harvin, Thursday; Mr. A. J. Brown, Friday; Mr. D. L. Black, Friday; Mr. G. H. O'Leary, Friday; Mr. R. T. Gillespie, Friday; Mr. F. Y. Legare, Thursday; Rev. T. C. Ligon, Friday; Mr. R. O. Atkinson, Friday, Mr. A. S. Douglas, Friday; Mr. Wm. A. Nicholson, Friday; Prof J. W. Flinn, Friday; Mr. S. D. Patrick, Friday; Rev. A. H. McArn, Friday; Rev. R. P. Pell, Friday; Dr. J. P. Richards, Friday; Rev. J. W. McClure, Friday; Rev. J. N. H. Summerell, Friday; Mr. James Hamilton, Friday; Mr. W. H. Day, Friday; Dr. H. H. Wyman, Friday; Rev. Robert Adams, Friday night; Mr. C. J. Boggs, Friday; Mr. B. F. Wilson, Friday; Rev. G. G. Mayes, Friday; Mr. W. A. Templeton, Friday; Mr. J. T. Lemon, Friday; J. S. Evans, Friday; Rev. J. C. Bailey, Friday; Dr. G. G. Palmer, Friday; Rev. O. G. Jones, Friday; Mr. J. M. Spratt, Friday; Mr. J. A. Enslow, Friday; Rev. N. J. Holmes, Friday; Rev. E. C. Bailey, Friday; Mr. John McSween, Friday; Rev. J. H. Dixon, Friday; Mr. A. W. Leland, Friday; Rev. J. E. Dunlop, Friday; Rev. D. M. Fulton, Friday.

The Stated Clerk made a statement in regard to the Map,

which was received as information.

The Synod directed that the funds raised for Home Missions by the collection last night be turned over to the Synod's Executive Committee.

Synod recessed from business until this evening.

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#### EVENING SESSION.

At the conclusion of the preaching service, the Synod held a Memorial Service, at which minutes concerning Rev. John R. Dow, Rev. W. S. Wightman, Rev. D. E. Frierson, D. D., and Rev. J. S. Cozby, D. D., were read and adopted by a rising vote of Synod. (See Memorials in Appendix). The service was closed with singing an appropriate hymn, and prayer by Rev. Dr. Tadlock.

Rev. Dr. Wilson presented the following resolution which was adopted by a rising vote:

The Synod of South Carolina desires to return its sincere thanks to the good people of Orangeburg for their generous and elegant hospitalities extended during its present sessions. Its members will carry with them to their distant homes most pleasing memories of their brief sojourn in this beautiful city—each one feeling that he was a guest of the best family of all.

Our cordial thanks are also returned to the pastors and churches of our sister denominations for their fraternal Christian courtesies extended to the Synod.

Also to the Railroads for reduced rates and other courtesies shown.

The minutes of to-day were read and approved.

Synod then adjourned with singing, prayer and the apostolic benediction, to meet in Darlington, Friday, October the 29th, 1897, at 10 a. m.

W. M. MCPHEETERS,

W. A. TEMPLETON,  
Temporary Clerk.  
THOMAS H. LAW,  
Stated Clerk.

Moderator.

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# APPENDIX.

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## STATISTICAL REPORTS OF PRESBYTERIES.

### I.

#### BETHEL PRESBYTERY

Respectfully reports to Synod that it consists of 29 ministers and 55 churches, and has under its care 2 licentiates and 12 candidates.

It has organized 5 churches during the past year as follows, viz: White Memorial (Rock Hill, S. C.), Bowling Green, Calvin, Oakland and Hebron.

It has received Rev. W. T. Hall, D. D., from Montgomery Presbytery, Rev. R. D. Perry from Atlanta Presbytery, Rev. Chalmers Moore from Mecklenburg Presbytery, Rev. J. G. Herndon from Abingdon Presbytery, and Rev. G. S. Robinson from Central Texas Presbytery, and Messrs. F. W. Gregg, J. E. Therrall and J. J. Brown have been received as candidates for the ministry.

It has established the pastoral relation between Rev. J. G. Hall and Catholic and Pleasant Grove Churches, Rev. J. E. L. Winecoff and Calvary and Woodlawn, Rev. O. G. Jones and White Memorial, Rev. Chalmers Moore and Heath Springs and Calvin.

It has dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. J. W. McClure and Aimwell and Longtown.

It has licensed candidates W. A. Haffner and F. K. Sims to preach the gospel as probationers.

It has dismissed Rev. W. K. Boggs to Mecklenburg Presbytery, Rev. J. L. McLin to South Carolina Presbytery and Rev. H. B. Pratt to West Texas Presbytery, and Rev. J. W. McClure to Pee Dee Presbytery.

ALEXANDER SPRUNT,  
Stated Clerk.

**CHARLESTON PRESBYTERY**

Respectfully reports to the Synod of South Carolina that it consists of 23 ministers and 33 churches, and it has under its care four licentiates and three candidates for the ministry. It employs one evangelist for the whole of his time, and two of the licentiates have been laboring in needy parts of our territory.

The churches have all had the preached word at stated times during the year. One new church has been organized, Boiling Springs. The weaker churches have been supplied through our pastors, evangelist, and some licentiates and candidates, and some mission points have been reached also.

Presbytery has transferred licentiate E. C. Bailey, who returned his letter of dismission to the Presbytery of Missouri, to the Presbytery of Pee Dee, and licentiate Geo. H. Cornelison, Jr., to the Presbytery of Ouachita.

During the year it has licensed Messrs. Le Roy G. Henderson and Jas. A. Dorrittee to preach the gospel, and has received under its care as candidates for the ministry Messrs. J. M. Duffin and J. H. Drose.

Presbytery has installed Rev. W. G. Vardell pastor of the James Island Church, and has dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. F. L. Leeper and the New Wappetaw Church, electing him to the office of Evangelist of the Presbytery.

We mourn the death of two of the most beloved brethren, Rev. John R. Dow and Rev. W. S. Wightman.

H. G. GILLAND,  
Stated Clerk.

**ENOREE PRESBYTERY**

Reports that it consists of 28 ministers, and has under its care 54 Churches, and 20 candidates.

It has organized the church of Lockhart Shoals.

It has dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. N. J. Holmes and the Second Church, Greenville.

It has received Rev. S. R. Preston, D. D., from the Presbytery of Holston and installed him pastor of the Second Church Greenville.

It has received licentiate W. L. Walker from the care of Mecklenburg Presbytery and ordained and installed him pastor of the Third Church Greenville. It has also ordained licentiate W. R. Owings and installed him pastor of Mt. Tabor (U) and Salem Churches, and licentiate S. C. Todd, and installed him pastor of Wellford Church.

It has received Rev. Robert Adams from the Presbytery of Macon and installed him pastor of the Church at Laurens.

It has licensed Messrs. R. L. Rodgers, W. R. Minter, and J. C. Bailey.

It has received under its care as candidates, Wm. Harper Boyd

and H. S. Griffin.

It has dismissed to the care of Presbytery of North Philadelphia, licentiates F. C. Jennings; to South Carolina Presbytery, W. T. Hudson; to Harmony Presbytery, J. C. Bailey and V. R. Gaston; to Augusta Presbytery, J. F. McKinnon.

It has dismissed Rev. R. E. Henderlite to the Presbytery of Abingdon.

W. P. JACOBS,  
Stated Clerk.

#### HARMONY PRESBYTERY

Respectfully reports to the Synod of South Carolina that it consists of 15 ministers and 30 churches, and has under its care 1 licentiate and 4 candidates.

The pastoral relation existing between Rev. Joseph Crockard and Summerton, Wedgefield and Tirzah Churches has been dissolved, and Mr. Crockard has been dismissed to Mecklenburg Presbytery.

Licentiate C. M. Richards has been ordained and installed pastor of Pine Tree, Hepzibah and Hebron Churches.

Rev. C. O'N. Martindale, Jr., has been dismissed to South Alabama Presbytery.

Licentiates V. R. Gaston and J. C. Bailey, Jr., have been received from Enoree Presbytery, and both have been ordained. Mr. Gaston has already been installed pastor of Mt. Zion Church; and arrangements have been made for the installation of Mr. Bailey as pastor of Summerton, Wedgefield and Tirzah Churches.

Rev. A. E. Chandler has been received from Atlanta Presbytery.

Candidate W. H. Mills has been licensed to preach the gospel.

Licentiate Charles Montgomery has been dismissed to Savannah Presbytery, and candidate James Bradley has been dismissed to Chicago Presbytery.

W. W. MILLS,  
Stated Clerk.

#### PEE DEE PRESBYTERY

Reports to Synod that it consists of 11 ministers and 27 churches, and has under its care 1 licentiate.

It has ordained A. M. McNaull and installed him pastor of Kings-tree Church.

It has received Licentiate E. C. Bailey from Charleston Presbytery, ordained him and made arrangements for his installation as pastor of the Timmonsville and Fairhope Churches. It has received Rev. J. W. McClure from Bethel Presbytery. It has organized a church at Timmonsville.

A. H. McARN,  
Stated Clerk.

## SOUTH CAROLINA PRESBYTERY

Respectfully reports to the Synod of South Carolina, in session at Orangeburg, that it has 23 ministers, 61 churches, 1 licentiate, and has under its care 7 candidates for the ministry.

Since last report it has received Rev. J. L. McLin from Bethel Presbytery, Rev. H. C. Fennel from Athens Presbytery and Rev. W. T. Matthews from the Presbytery of Florida. It has received Mr. W. T. Hudson by certificate from Enoree Presbytery as a probationer for the ministry.

It has received under its care Mr. W. Bruce Doyle and Mr. W. T. Thompson as candidates for the ministry.

It has licensed Mr. W. W. Saddler to preach the gospel as a probationer for the ministry.

It has installed Rev. W. H. Workman pastor of Liberty, Carmel and Slabtown Churches; Rev. H. C. Fennel pastor of Providence, Warrenton and Varennes Churches, and Rev. J. L. McLin of Wellington Church.

It has dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. J. E. Fogartie and the Greenwood Church, and dismissed him to the Presbytery of Nashville; the pastoral relation between Rev. R. P. Pell and Aveleigh Church and permitted him to assume the Presidency of the Presbyterian College for Women in Columbia, S. C.; the pastoral relation between Rev. S. L. Wilson and the Upper Long Cane Church and dismissed him to the Presbytery of Athens.

It has revoked the license to preach which had been granted Mr. A. R. Fowler and stricken his name from the list of candidates.

It has lost by death the lamented Rev. Dr. D. E. Frierson.

G. G. MAYES.  
Stated Clerk.

## II.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

Thos. H. Law, Treasurer, in account with the Synod of South Carolina:

## I.

## CONTINGENT FUND.

## DR.

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| To Balance in hand at last report.....   | \$ 29 59 |
| “ Assessment Bethel Presbytery paid..... | 40 00    |
| “ “ Charleston “ “ .....                 | 30 00    |
| “ “ Enoree “ “ .....                     | 35 00    |

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| " | " | Harmony                             | "     | "     | 25 00 |
| " | " | South Carolina for 1894-'96 in part | ..    | 48 39 |       |
| " | " | Pee Dee Presbytery paid             | ..... | 15 00 |       |
| " | " | Rec'd for Advertisements in Minutes | ..... | 9 00  |       |

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| By Expense Printing and Distributing Minutes..... | \$ 94 10 |
| " Statistical Tables for 1896.....                | 12 60    |
| " Salary Stated Clerk and Treasurer.....          | 100 00   |
| " Balance in hands of Treasurer.....              | 25 28    |
|   |          |
|   | \$231 98 |
|   | \$231 98 |

It will be observed that South Carolina Presbytery is still due \$21.61 on its assessment for this year.

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## TOWNSEND FUND.

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| To Balance in hand at last report..... | \$112 07 |
| " Interest paid on Adgers' Note.....   | 120 00   |
| " " " Halletts' "                      | 20 00    |
| " " " B. & L. Association Note &c...   | 23 60    |

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| By paid W. J. Duffle Treasurer for Students..... | \$165 00 |
| " Balance in hand.....                           | 110 67   |
|  |          |
|  | \$275 67 |
|  | \$275 67 |

The investments of this fund remain the same as last year, and the income is being paid out to students in the Seminary as it is needed. The faculty has for the present term recommended students W. A. Haffner and C. B. Ratchford to be the beneficiaries of the fund.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. H. LAW, Treasurer.

## III.

REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON  
FOREIGN MISSIONS.

In presenting its Annual Report on Foreign Missions your Permanent Committee would call attention to three facts, viz.:

1. That 129 consecrated Christian men and women represent the

Southern Presbyterian Church in its aggressions on the heathen world. This constitutes its advance line of battle to seize and hold strategic positions until strengthened sufficiently to press further into the interior. Nobly and well has this duty been performed. Under peculiar difficulties it managed to gain a lodgment upon the enemy's shores, since which time it has made steady progress in the work assigned it; until now it points to important salients occupied by it in South America, Mexico, China, Japan, Corea, and the Congo region of Africa. Of this number, fifteen are now in this country on leave of absence, thus weakening for the time this line of battle already too attenuated.

2. That another goodly company of Christian men and women, equally as consecrated, are anxiously awaiting the orders to reinforce their brethren on the field.

3. That the straitened condition of the Assembly's Treasury interposes a barrier to the realization of this earnest desire. The Assembly's Executive Committee of Foreign Missions is simply unable to send them, or even to return those now home on furlough. It has not the means to do so. From some cause or other the contributions from the churches have declined in amount. The receipts from all sources for the fiscal year ending September 1st, as compared with those of last year for the same time, show a falling off of \$6,874. From the "Missionary," published by the Assembly's Committee, we learn that the sum of \$4,300 was needed at that date to meet the quarter's salary of the missionaries in the field. A loan of \$2,000 was felt to be imperative, and was accordingly negotiated. What change may have been produced on the Treasury by the special October collections ordered by the Assembly is of course not known, the month having not yet expired.

Such, in brief, are the facts to which the attention of Synod is called. From these it is evident that one of three courses must be pursued, viz; 1st. Either a greatly enlarged contribution to this cause must be made by the churches, or, 2nd. The mission work must be narrowed down in its scope, or, else, 3rd. Debts must be contracted. Of the three "musts" which will your venerable body elect?

In view of the above your Committee would recommend,

1. That Synod cordially approve the efforts of the Assembly's Executive Committee to maintain and press forward the great missionary interest entrusted to them; assuring them of its hearty and liberal support in so doing. No backward step must be taken; the needed reinforcements must be sent forward.

2. That in the event of debt remaining after the October collections are all in, your Committee be instructed to assume the Synod's proportion of the same, and pro-rate it among the several Presbyteries, leaving it with them to raise their respective apportionments

as their judgment may deem best.

3. That the stronger churches, or groups of churches, be encouraged to undertake the support of individual missionaries.

4. That the Moderator be invited to preach a sermon on Foreign Missions at the opening of Synod next year.

5. That in view of the death of Rev. D. E. Frierson, D. D., a member of your Committee, by which its numerical strength is reduced to two members, and they the pastor and elder of the same church; and also in the confident hope of increasing the efficiency of the missionary work by a more equitable distribution of its responsibilities among the several Presbyteries, your Committee places its resignation in your hands.

Respectfully submitted,

J. LOWRIE WILSON, Chairman.

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#### IV.

#### REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

The Presbyteries of our Church reported to the last Assembly 402 candidates and 85 licentiates. Of this number 48 candidates and 13 licentiates belong to this Synod. Since the Assembly, these numbers have been reduced by transfer and otherwise to 42 candidates and 8 licentiates.

The number of candidates reported to Assembly has declined in two years, 43 for the whole Church and one for this Synod. From '86 to '96 the candidates of the whole Church increased from 269 to 402, or 49%, while the membership increased from 143,793 to 210,539, or 46%. In this Synod for the same time, candidates increased from 12 to 48 or 300%, while the membership increased from 14,154 to 18,801 or 32%. The whole Church has one candidate to every 524 communicants, while this Synod has one to every 390.

The candidates of this Synod are distributed among the Presbyteries as follows:

|                  |   |           |    |            |
|------------------|---|-----------|----|------------|
| Bethel .....     | 2 | licensed, | 15 | unlicensed |
| Charleston.....  | 2 | "         | 4  | "          |
| Enoree.....      | 2 | "         | 15 | "          |
| Harmony.....     | 0 | "         | 1  | "          |
| Pee Dee.....     | 1 | "         | 0  | "          |
| South Carolina.. | 1 | "         | 7  | "          |

Sixteen are at Colleges: nine at Davidson, one at Due West, five at Clinton and one at Furman.

Nineteen are at the Seminaries: fifteen at Columbia, one at Clarksville, one at Louisville, one at Princeton, one at McCormick.

Ten are not engaged in study, two are reported as teaching, six as not studying "for lack of means," two as not studying for reasons "not fully apparent."

Enoree has dropped one candidate during the year at his own request because of ill-health, and South Carolina has dropped one initiate for bad conduct.

Three candidates—two from Charleston and one from Enoree are self supporting. Two from Charleston—extraordinary cases—are studying at home under supervision of a Committee of Presbytery and are no expense to the Church.

As to aid and contributions:

First, the Presbyteries and the Central Committee:

Bethel received aid for 8, in all \$675.00, and gave the Committee \$490.31.

South Carolina received aid for 5, in all \$367.45, and gave the Committee \$275.14.

Harmony received aid for 2, in all \$125.00, and gave the Committee \$199.73.

Enoree received aid for 8, in all \$557.50, and gave the Committee \$293.18.

Pee Dee received aid for none, and gave the Committee \$103.23.

Charleston received aid for none and contributed \$965.00 directly, and gave the Committee \$493.74.

Enoree reports \$50.00 direct contribution. Total contribution of Synod—direct and indirect—\$2,813.10.

Twenty-five candidates were aided by Central Committee this year against thirty-six last year. They received \$1,724.95 against \$2,037.00 last year. Our contribution to Central Committee is \$1,798.10 this year. This is \$359.10 more than last year and \$73.15 more than we drew from the Committee. This is the first time in years we have given more than we received. It is largely due to the fact that Charleston and Pee Dee asked no aid from the Committee and to some special contributions from Charleston Presbytery.

While this is true of our Synod, let it be remembered that the contribution of the whole Church, which gradually increased from '86 to '95, has declined this year suddenly some 20%. It is for this year \$17,547.26, (ending with last Assembly).

Secondly, The Presbyteries and the Students' Fund:

Nine from this Synod—four from South Carolina, two from Bethel and three from Enoree received each \$100.00. Our Synod receives \$100.00 less this year than last from the income of the Students' Fund for her candidates.

As to diligence and deportment of Candidates:—

Harmony does not report, South Carolina reports "very good in all but two cases and not sure about those." Bethel reports "mixed but mainly good—some very good." Enoree reports "generally good; but some make slow progress for lack of early training." Charleston reports "satisfactory in all respects."

As to co-operation among the Presbyteries, notice:

1. The Assembly of '95 recommended a Manual to the Presbyteries. Enoree reports having changed her Standing Rules to conform. It is suggested that other Presbyteries compare their rules with the Assembly's recommendations and see what can be done to secure uniformity in practice among us.
2. Bethel only requires those students receiving aid to attend our own Seminary.
3. Harmony reports that all her candidates attending Clinton College, want letters to Clinton church and Enoree Presbytery. The request of one for transfer has been refused. If this comes from any differences in the practices of the Presbyteries in regard to aiding students, such differences ought to be removed. The Presbyteries should be uniform in practice in the matter of aiding students.

As to oversight of candidates:

Charleston requires a letter from each candidate to the Chairman of Education at every meeting of Presbytery. Charleston, Bethel and Enoree have the reports of their candidates in the different Schools, Colleges and Seminaries read in open Presbytery. Of the ten candidates reported as not engaged in study, it is plain that the Presbyterial Chairmen do not know certainly what the majority of them are doing and why they are not studying. They say the lack of means is the explanation for their not studying 'so far as they know.'

The following action of our last Synod was disapproved by the Assembly. "That Synod recommends to its Presbyteries that when students fail to pass any of their examinations at the Seminaries, the Presbyteries require of them satisfactory explanation of the failure; and in case such an explanation is not forthcoming, either refuse to license them until they make good their deficiency, or license them as extraordinary cases." (Synod's printed Minutes page 13.)

This action was disapproved by Assembly and the same action by Synod of Georgia was approved.

With a view to making examinations of candidates for licensure more satisfactory to students and Presbyteries, we recommend the adoption by our Presbyteries of a testing system embodying the following features:

1. That for all examinations, permanent examiners be appointed.
2. That examinations usually held in private be written, and fifty per cent. made the passing mark.
3. That all examiners report to Spring Presbytery for approval and publication in Minutes, specifying the books or portions of books from which questions will be taken during the year.
4. That examiners have the privilege of examining students with private and written examinations at convenient times and

places before regular meetings of Presbytery.

5. That all papers of students be sent, when practicable, by Presbytery's examiners to approved scholars who do not know the students, to be examined and graded.

6. That examiners submit all their questions and the results of examinations to Presbytery for approval and publication in the Minutes.

B. P. REID, Chairman.

## V.

### REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON THE BIBLE CAUSE.

The Eightieth Annual Report of the American Bible Society, covering the operations of that great agency for the year April 1, 1895, to April 1, 1896, presents many facts concerning this most important work of Bible circulation which are full of interest and worthy of careful consideration. None of these is more striking than the rapid and extensive expansion in late years of the work in foreign lands. The following table framed from the figures furnished, will give some idea of the development of the work in the foreign field in the last 20 years:

|                       | 1876.      | 1896,        |
|-----------------------|------------|--------------|
| General Agents,       | 3          | 12           |
| Expenditures,      \$ | 81,118.17  | \$208,270.47 |
| Circulation,          | 165,829.00 | 890,158.00   |

This circulation in the foreign field last year was far larger than that of any previous year, and for the first time in the history of the Society, exceeded the distribution in the home field. And when we consider how essential to the propagation of Christianity is this work, involving as it does, the translation, printing and distribution of the Scriptures among those who grope in the blindness and ignorance of heathenism, we must, as a Church, as a Synod, and as individuals, charged with the evangelization of the world, feel a profound interest in it, and must heartily rejoice that the Lord is thus more and more opening up the way and giving free course to his Word, and sending out more and more widely his light and his truth. And this interest is naturally intensified when we perceive further, as shown in the Report, that in several of those countries where are our own missionary fields, this progress is most marked. For instance, in China the circulation has doubled within the last two years, reaching last year nearly 400,000, 97% of which were bought and paid for; in Japan, the civil and military authorities have so encouraged and helped the distribu-

tion as to give it an unprecedented success, the number circulated exceeding 257,000; in Korea obstacles have been removed and the way opened so as to promise most excellent results, the work of translating the Bible into that tongue being now undertaken, in which one of our own missionaries is engaged; and in Brazil, the Agent reports "a great advance on all previous records."

Our Church stands then very closely related to this glorious work of the American Bible Society, and ought to feel a special interest and responsibility in it. And recognising the Society as one of our own agencies, we should especially rejoice and thank God for the success which is attending its work in connection with our own missions.

In the home field too the work has been steadily maintained. The circulation last year amounted to 860,125 volumes; 175,484 more than in 1876, notwithstanding the fact that the Society has been endeavoring diligently all these years to keep our people amply supplied with the Word. And the special effort to supply children who can read with Bibles of their own, has met with a larger success than ever before, and is still progressing favorably in the district of North and South Carolina.

But in the face of all this grand opportunity with which God has favored the Society for sowing the seed, which is the Word of God, through the rapid expansion of the work in the foreign field; and its steady progress in our own land, the last year marked a signal falling off in receipts, enough to excite grave anxiety as to the future. From the living, the amount received through all sources was only \$67,102.17; and from legacies, hitherto the chief means of support, only \$70,977.11, making together with income from rents, investments, &c. \$204,670.35 at the disposal of the Society for its work; a sum far short of its actual expenditures. And but for a reserve still held from former legacies, the work would have been seriously crippled; which lamentable result must yet occur if this deficiency continues long.

In view of these facts, it is gratifying to note some improvement in the contributions from this Synod last year, as indicated in the statistical reports of the churches to their Presbyteries. These give 81 churches as contributing \$509.00, as against 54 churches contributing \$474.00 the year before. The number of contributing churches is somewhat larger in every Presbytery, while the amounts contributed vary but slightly from those of the previous year.

Special efforts have been made recently to call attention to the condition of things necessitating larger and more general contributions, and the hope is that another year will mark a more decided improvement. And to bring the matter more distinctly and prominently before all our people, we recommend to Synod the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. That all our churches be urged to recognise the obligation

resting upon us to support the American Bible Society in its great benevolent and missionary work.

2. That the Presbyteries of this Synod be recommended to use such means as in their judgment will tend to secure that attention to this department of Christian evangelization which its importance merits.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. H. LAW, Chairman.

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## VI.

### REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON COLORED EVANGELIZATION.

1. Since our last report to the Synod there has been no visible progress made towards the erection of the Independent African Presbyterian Church, which has been the proximate end of the Assembly's policy for the last twelve years.

Among the many causes which have prevented the realization of this long cherished hope of the Church, the two apparently immovable barriers seem to be 1st., The want of funds to meet the expenses of such an assembly of colored preachers and elders as would be necessary in order to effect the organic union of their Presbyteries. 2nd. The fear which the colored preachers have of the additional expense of a higher court. They say, "We are hardly able to attend the meetings of Presbytery and to meet our Presbyterial assessments, and we are, therefore, not willing, for the present, to assume the additional obligations incident to the meetings and work of a Synod."

On the other hand, the reason assigned by many for this deplorable want of money for the cause is the fact that the Independent Synod or Assembly has not been erected. Those in charge of the work say, "It is impossible for us to organize the Synod without more money," and the reply is made, "It is impossible to get the money until you have organized the Synod." So the cause and the effect seem to produce each other, to the hindrance of the work. Unless, therefore, the present difficulties can be removed, our efforts to evangelize the colored people must ultimately fail.

2. We call the Synod's attention to the following "comparative summary of Colored Church Statistics for five years."

|                             | 1892   | 1893     | 1894     | 1895     | 1896     |
|-----------------------------|--------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Number of Ministers.....    | 36     | 43       | 44       | 48       | 48       |
| " of Licentiates.....       | 3      | 4        | 4        | 3        | 2        |
| " of Candidates.....        | 20     | 18       | 23       | 28       | 24       |
| " of Churches.....          | 56     | 67       | 66       | 68       | 64       |
| " of Ruling Elders..        | 109    | 153      | 130      | 138      | 118      |
| " of Deacons .....          | 70     | 97       | 83       | 77       | 72       |
| " of Communicants.          | 1,211  | 1,682    | 1,505    | 1,518    | 1,504    |
| " Added in year....         | 113    | 214      | 217      | 177      | 191      |
| " of S. S. Scholars..       | 1,269  | 1,760    | 1,749    | 1,464    | 1,501    |
| Total of Contributions..... |        | \$ 2,205 | \$ 2,451 | \$ 1,886 | \$ 2,369 |
| " paid to pastors.....      | \$ 967 | \$ 1,346 | \$ 1,031 | \$ 1,012 | \$ 1,431 |

From this summary it will appear that the

Number of Ministers increased in four years 12

|   |                |                     |                |     |
|---|----------------|---------------------|----------------|-----|
| "   | "              | "                   | last year      | 00  |
| "   | Licentiates    | "                   | in 4 years     | 00  |
| "   | "              | "                   | last year      | 00  |
| "   | Candidates     | "                   | in 4 years     | 8   |
| "   | "              | "                   | last year      | 00  |
| "   | Churches       | "                   | in 4 years     | 8   |
| "   | "              | "                   | lost last year | 4   |
| "   | Ruling Elders  | increased           | in 4 years     | 2   |
| "   | "              | "                   | lost last year | 27  |
| "   | Deacons        | increased           | in 4 years     | 2   |
| "   | "              | "                   | lost last year | 5   |
| "   | Communicants   | increased           | in 4 years     | 294 |
| "   | "              | "                   | lost last year | 14  |
| "   | "              | Added in four years | 912            |     |
| "   | "              | "                   | last year      | 191 |
| "   | S. S. Scholars | increased           | in 4 years     | 232 |
| "   | "              | "                   | lost last year | 37  |
| Contributions increased in 3 years \$164.00 |                |                     |                |     |
| " " last year 483.00                        |                |                     |                |     |

There are within the bounds of this Synod five colored ministers and eight colored churches, four ministers and seven churches being in connection with the Independent Presbytery of North and South Carolina, and one minister and one church being in connection with the Presbytery of South Carolina—the latter minister and church being willing and ready at any time to join the Independent Presbytery of North and South Carolina.

With the loss of one Presbytery (Zion Presbytery being practically disbanded by loss of a quorum), the loss of four churches (three of the four having gone into the Northern Church), the loss of twenty-seven Ruling Elders, five Deacons and fourteen members during the last year, over and above the year's increase, which was fairly good, it seems evident that something must be done to arrest the exodus of the people into the Northern Church, or we may as well abandon the hope of building up an Independent Church un-

der our fostering care. The reason assigned for all the losses sustained is the pressing need of support.

3. The whole sum contributed by the Church during the last year to the cause of Colored Evangelization is \$10,468.00.

The whole sum which went into the Assembly's treasury is \$8,199.76.

Amount paid to colored preachers is \$1,797.20.

The whole amount contributed by this Synod is \$1,084.00.

The sum paid into the Central Treasury is \$659.76.

4. The Ferguson and Williams School at Abbeville has done a good work for the cause during the last year. There were enrolled one hundred and sixty-three pupils who were as well instructed as any in the State. One of the graduates hopes to go to Stillman Institute next year.

The prospects of the school are brighter than they have ever been. They are not able to accommodate all the boarders who come to the school from different counties in this State and also from Georgia.

But the financial embarrassments are serious. During the last year the Assembly's Committee could give the school no aid whatever, and none is promised for this year. As a matter of course no such school can be conducted for the colored people without financial aid. For the purchase of the school property we have received;

|                                       |           |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| From 27 churches in Bethel Presbytery | \$345.29. |
| " 1 individual in "                   | 5.00.     |
| " 5 churches in Enoree                | 112.40.   |
| " 2 individuals in "                  | 6.00.     |
| " 3 churches in Pee Dee               | 18.20.    |
| " 3 churches in Harmony               | 10.50.    |
| " 2 individuals in Charleston         | 10.00.    |
| " 4 churches in S. Carolina           | 188.39.   |
| " 1 individual in "                   | 25.00.    |
|                                       |           |
|                                       | \$720.78  |

Of this sum seventy-five dollars went to the chairman of your Committee on account of his expenses in visiting the Presbyteries and churches and having his pulpit supplied, leaving six hundred and forty-five dollars and seventy-eight cents, all of which sum has been paid towards the purchase of the property.

Your committee make the following recommendations:

1. That the Synod authorize its committee to employ some suitable person to canvass the field for the purpose of raising as soon as possible the remaining twelve hundred and eighty dollars of the two thousand pledged by the Synod towards the purchase of that school.

2. That this Synod undertake the work of Colored Evangelization within its bounds, and assume all responsibility for its support without aid from the Assembly's Committee.

3. That the Presbyteries of this Synod be requested to retain seventy-five per cent. of their December collections for this cause and forward the same to the chairman of Synod's Committee.

4. That the Permanent Committee be made Synod's Executive Committee of Colored Evangelization and that the Rev. J. N. H. Summerell be made the chairman.

5. That the Synod instruct its Committee to aid in the support of those colored ministers and churches only which are now or shall hereafter be in connection with the Independent Presbytery of North and South Carolina, or any other Independent Presbytery which may be erected within the bounds of this Synod.

6. That the Committee be instructed to employ evangelists to work in destitute portions of the State wherever the funds in hand will warrant such aggressive efforts. Provided that the evangelists, when colored, shall be members of an Independent Presbytery in part at least within the bounds of this Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

S. L. WILSON, Chairman.

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## VII.

### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

The Board of Directors of the Columbia Theological Seminary respectfully submits the following as its annual report to the four controlling Synods:

The exercises of the Seminary have been conducted without interruption during the term, with 27 students in attendance, distributed as follows, 6 in Senior, 12 in Middle and 6 in Junior classes, and 3 pursuing special studies.

Dr. W. T. Hall was formally inducted into the chair of Didactic and Polemic Theology and delivered an able address. Dr. Tadlock was re-elected to the chair of Ecclesiastical History and Church Polity; and Dr. Laws was re-elected to the chair of Perkins Professor of Natural Science in connection with Revelation and Christian Apologetics, subject to the approval of the Synods.

The finances of the institution are in substantially the same condition as last year. The assets amount to \$237,444.00. This includes material property of about \$15,000.00 in value paying no revenue, and some that returns no interest.

An income of \$11,500.00 can be depended upon. The expenses exceeded the income last year more than \$200.00.

At the meeting of the Alumni held during the sessions of the Board, the Board was requested to ask the controlling Synods to appoint a day for an annual collection in all of their churches for the

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current expenses of the Seminary, and that the pastors be urged to use this opportunity to instruct their people as to its work, its value and its needs. This recommendation the Board heartily endorses and begs its approval by the Synods.

The charter has been renewed for fifty years.

If the Alumni and friends of this school of the prophets will lovingly remember it in their prayers and efforts, there is no reason why it should not soon enter upon a career of unprecedented prosperity and usefulness.

W. W. MILLS, Sec. of Board.

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## VIII.

### NARRATIVE.

Your Committee on the Narrative on the state of religion in the bounds of our Presbyteries have carefully considered the reports which have come into our hands. We find it almost impossible from these reports to give to Synod a just conception of the state of religion throughout our borders, from the lack of definite information furnished us, and the very general expressions used in others, which are little different if at all, from what we read year after year. Indeed one who has listened for a few years to the reading of these Narratives, might prepare a report without waiting to read these general statements furnished by our churches and Presbyteries, and with very rare exceptions, this presumptive report would give us as accurate information as do the written reports themselves. One Presbytery reports 27 chnrches, and of this number only 7 churches send up to their Presbytery written reports on this vital subject. The reports of some of our Presbyteries are so very general and indefinite and meagre as to be of no practical use to the Committee in their attempts to give Synod a proper conception of the condition of religion in our Presbyteries, upon the subjects specified in the Narrative sent to our churches for information, on these several points.

1. Concerning the official fidelity of the ministers and officers of the churches under the jurisdiction of our Presbyteries, your Committee is constrained to believe that there is room for great improvement. We are also of the opinion that there is great ambiguity in the minds of many of our elders and deacons concerning the duties required of them and as to what constitutes fidelity in office.

2. On the subject of church attendance and observance of the ordinance of public worship, those reports which notice this question of interest state that the attendance on public worship is good.

3. There has not been a marked manifestation of the Spirit's power and presence in the bounds of our Presbyteries to such an extent

as to make the past year one of special notice in this particular. Our Presbyteries report, however, that their churches have not been without the Spirit's presence and blessing.

4. The same general remarks might be made of the number of additions to our churches and also

5. In regard to the spiritual development of our people—their growth in grace and Christian deportment.

6. Our Presbyteries report that our members as a general rule, are willing to engage in teaching in our Sunday Schools, and other church work.

7. One Presbytery reports with much solicitude the disposition manifested in the Sunday Schools within its bounds to neglect the teaching of the Shorter Catechism in preference for the International Series of Lessons. Synod deprecates such a tendency and devoutly trusts that it may be thwarted.

8. Concerning the observance of family worship some of our Presbyteries do not make reports, others give the usual verdict, that it is "sadly neglected", while one or two make mention of praiseworthy observance of this important duty and privilege.

9. There is nothing of special notice in the reports of our Presbyteries on the observance of the Sabbath.

10. Some of the reports received make no mention of the fidelity of God's people in worshipping God with their substance, while others give us some encouragement in this regard.

11. As a general rule, the reports on the prevalence of intemperance and worldly amusements and other forms of sin are encouraging and warrant the hope that these serious hindrances to the spiritual development of our people are diminishing.

12. Only two Presbyteries report at all on the subject of work amongst the colored people. One of these says nothing is being done in the interest of this cause, while the other says "29 churches report no effort to instruct the colored people; one is helping rebuild a colored church, 3 pastors preach to them occasionally and 2 make no report under this head."

Your Committee feels constrained to call Synod's special attention to this vital subject, and the necessity of greater diligence in the preparation of the reports from our Presbyteries. We believe that our Presbyteries should more earnestly exhort our churches to a higher appreciation of the importance of these reports and more specific information in them.

ALEX. SPRUNT, J. S. EVANS.

D. M. FULTON, H. G. GILLAND.

**IX.****REPORT OF THE BOARD OF VISITORS OF THE  
THORNWELL ORPHANAGE.**

To the Fathers and Brethren of the Synods of South Carolina, Georgia and Florida:

*Dear Brethren:*—It is with sincere joy that we report to you the story of the twenty-first year of the life of your orphanage.

Your children numbered 139 during the year ending October 1st. Of the present inmates 74 are from South Carolina, 20 from Georgia, 9 from Florida and the remainder from other points of our Church. Every Southern Synod is represented by pupils in the institution.

Of all our children, notwithstanding an epidemic of measles in its most violent form and in midwinter, not one of our household died. We have lost only three in 21 years.

Three graduated in June last, after a full course with us, three others were discharged at their own request. Twelve new pupils were admitted. Two former pupils were ordained to the ministry, one now with us was received under care of Presbytery. Eight united with the church. Our boys and girls maintain religious services of their own, beside those public to all.

The year has been remarkably blessed by helpful additions in the way of new buildings: The Academy, (the gift of Sunday School children), was completed and furnished. Mrs. McCormick who has given us two beautiful cottages, added a third, "The Edith Home, at a cost of \$5,000, and yet another generous friend renewed a cottage for a cost of \$2,500, very greatly to the comfort of the household.

The support of the institution has been also provided for by donations from churches, Sabbath Schools and individuals. The school of a high grade was maintained, and the total family of 150 was provided for, including the board and clothing of pupils for the twelve months, and salaries and board of teachers, matrons and employees, at a total cost of \$12,912.00, all of which was provided for by the gifts of the public. There was no lack, neither was there anything over. We begin our new year with enthusiasm and children plenty, but no cash.

Inasmuch as this institution is owned and controlled by the trustees appointed by the three Synods, we would be glad if arrangements could be made by which some, especially of those appointed by the Synods of Georgia and Florida could attend the annual meetings of the Board. If the churches would provide a little more liberally, the arrangement could be effected by the Board itself, but up to this time, it has been all that we could do to provide for the orphans. We try through *Our Monthly* to keep the brethren informed of the work, but there is nothing like the sight of the eyes to awaken

interest, while the wise counsel of our brethren would be of the utmost value.

The Local Board whose duty it is to look after the minutiae of daily routine work and to keep a constant oversight of the finances of the institution, have been exceedingly faithful. Regular monthly meetings have been held, committees of inspection appointed, reports from all officers and teachers studied, advice given, and every means taken to make a good showing to the annual meeting of the Synodical Board, which is held during Commencement week and which meets June 28, 1897.

Just at present, that which we need most is your prayerful sympathy in these orphans, and that each church, in its collective capacity, would try to do something for the fatherless.

By order of the Board,

W. P. JACOBS,

President.

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## X.

### MEMORIAL OF THE REV. JAMES SMITH COZBY, D. D.

The subject of the following sketch was the son of the Rev. Jas. C. and Hannah Randolph Cozby. He was born in St. Mary's, Camden Co., Ga., September 1st, 1837. He was graduated from Oglethorpe College in the year 1855. After teaching for some years in Liberty Co., Ga., he entered the Theological Seminary at Columbia as a candidate for the gospel ministry, graduating in the year 1862. His first ministerial work was done in charge of the Bryan Neck Church, Bryan Co., Ga. After serving this church for some eighteen months he entered the Confederate army and served as chaplain of a regiment of Georgia Volunteers. Upon the close of the war he spent about two years as the teacher of a school in the city of Savannah.

In February 1868 he was called to the church at Cuthbert, Ga., of which church he continued the efficient and beloved pastor until June 1873. From Cuthbert he removed to Sumter Co., S. C., in the spring or early summer of the year 1873 to assume the pastoral care of the Mt. Zion Church. This pastorate was his longest and possibly his most fruitful one. During three of the thirteen years of his Mt. Zion pastorate he supplied the Mayesville Church in connection with his regular charge. On the 28th of November 1886 he became the pastor of the Aveleigh Church at Newberry, S. C., which relation continued until his death which took place at Clarksville, Ga., on the 10th of September 1894. In the cemetery at Newberry, his mortal part awaits the resurrection of the just.

He was married on the 26th of Jan'y. 1864 to Miss Mary, a daughter

of the late Judge Law of Savannah, Ga. This noble woman, to whom he often alluded as the inspiration of his life, together with two daughters and two sons survive him. In recognition of his well known ability and generous culture the Newberry College conferred upon him the well merited degree of Doctor of Divinity, in the year 1889.

Dr. Cozby was eminently evangelical and highly instructive as a preacher faithful, diligent and successful as a pastor, wise courageous, and conservative as a presbyter. And as a citizen enlightened, broad-minded, patriotic and public spirited. Among the many virtues whose blending constituted his noble character, there are those that possessed an easy pre-eminence, intense love of truth, courage in its promulgation and defense, and profound humility before God.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. MCKAY.

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## XI.

### MEMORIAL OF THE REV. JOHN R. DOW.

The Rev. John Reid Dow was born in Pollock Shaws near Glasgow, Scotland, on the 7th of December 1822. He died after a short illness at his home in Aiken, S. C., on the 23rd of December 1895.

Our venerable and beloved brother migrated to America in 1839, settling in Augusta, Ga., where he was for several years engaged in merchandising. In the pursuits of practical business, his experience furnished him that knowledge of human character, which largely contributed to the efficiency of his pastoral work. There are those of his people living who testify to the judicious counsel of their pastor being accepted and the issue proving the wisdom of his advice. He was ordained to the gospel ministry by Charleston Presbytery on the 4th of May 1856. His first charge was the John's Island and Wadmalaw Church. Many of those living at that time have fallen asleep, but the memory of Brother Dow's ministry remains a household heritage hallowed by the tender experiences which ever cluster around a faithful loving, pastorate. Brother Dow was subsequently pastor of the Salem, Black River Church, in Harmony Presbytery, and the Edisto Island Church, Charleston Presbytery. As a preacher of the gospel we have the following testimony of one acquainted with his early and continued ministry. It is as follows: "From the first our brother took rank as an instructive, impressive, and earnest minister of the Word." He soon became one of the best preachers in the Presbytery. This was not my judgment alone but that of a far more competent judge—one of the

oldest Professors in our Theological Seminary. I shall never forget a service preparatory to the Communion of the Synod of South Carolina and at which he preached with such unction that one of our greatest preachers—one of the greatest I think in the world—now in a far distant Presbytery, was so moved that he could scarcely control himself to make the prayer which followed. His power in preaching was humanly speaking, from an unquestioning conviction of the truth and momentous significance of his message, an unwavering faith in him who had commissioned him to his service, a simple reliance upon the Spirit of God, and a single aim to set forth Christ, the end of the Law for righteousness to us, and the energy of the Law for righteousness in us. He never strove for mere effect; he never qualified the most unpalatable doctrine. But if he preached the terrors of the Law, it was to magnify the tenderness of the Gospel. He held, always, by the old ways. There was never any doubt upon what side he would range himself, where vital truth was sought to be overshadowed. And he lived what he preached. In social intercourse he was cheerful, genial and sincere, and the fine qualities which distinguished him as a minister of the gospel gave tone to his entire domestic life.

He was elected Stated Clerk of Charleston Presbytery on the 4th of April 1877, and so continued until his death. The duties of this important office he discharged with uniform fidelity.

He was elected evangelist of Charleston Presbytery on the 12th of April 1878, which office he held until called to rest above.

His work as evangelist was thorough, untiring, and in the spirit of devotion to the Master's service. One of the best tributes ever heard to his memory was this: "He was a good man, I knew him well." The Master has called our beloved brother from labor to rest, leaving us an example worthy to be followed.

J. A. ENSLOW, Chairman.

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## XII.

### MEMORIAL OF THE REV. W. S. WIGHTMAN, M. D.

William Shackleford Wightman was born in Charleston, S. C., April 6, 1846. He was the son of Bishop Wightman of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. He attended school in his native city, and afterwards completed his education at Spartanburg, S. C., and Greensboro, Ala.

He was in Greensboro when the war of secession began, and enlisted in the Volunteer cavalry of that place. Before he had been long in service he was captured and was held a prisoner until the close of the war.

In June 1868 brother Wightman returned to Charleston and enter-

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ed the Medical College of South Carolina, from which he was graduated in 1869. His temperament was genial, and he was a general favorite with the faculty and students of this college. After his graduation, Dr. Wightman returned to Alabama and practiced medicine quite successfully there until 1873.

In 1873 Dr. Wightman returned to this State and was admitted to the South Carolina Conference of the M. E. Church South as a licentiate for the ministry. For 20 years he served as a member of this Conference, having pastoral charges in various large towns and cities in the State. As a preacher brother Wightman is represented as being always earnest and strong, and his preaching attracted great attention. July 15, 1875 he was united in marriage to Miss Caroline Louise Lawton who was his help-meet in the truest sense of the word. She was a woman of beautiful Christian character and was ever a zealous worker by his side, and among the poor and afflicted. This happy marriage God blessed with five children.

In 1893 brother Wightman, having thought and studied very much over the Calvinistic system of doctrine, and having become convinced of the entire truth of it, left the church of his fathers and applied to Bethel Presbytery for admission into the Presbyterian ministry. His letter to the Conference giving his reasons for this change is particularly earnest, clear and strong. Very soon after his reception into the Presbyterian Church, Brother Wightman was called to the pastorate of Ebenezer Church, Charleston and this pastorate began January 1894 and terminated at his death. His church was then in a feeble and languishing condition, but it took on new life with the labors of this earnest man of God. During this short pastorate of a little more than two years, 74 communicants were added to the membership of the church. Of these 14 were gathered in from a very successful missionary work carried on by the pastor and members of Ebenezer Church in the northwest section of the city.

Our brother was also associated with Rev. C. E. Chichester in his work among the seamen, and the chaplain bears glowing testimony to the value of his services and the power of his ministrations.

As a pastor he was always abounding in work, being continually among his people and also a hard student. His incessant labors overtaxed his bodily powers and mind, and it was when in an exhausted physical condition that he was called upon to watch anxiously by the bedside of his beloved wife with an illness terminating in her death. Worn in body and mind and burdened in heart, he returned from the burial of Mrs. Wightman, Friday, April 17. He went immediately to bed and very soon congestion of the brain set in, from which he died Tuesday morning April 21, 1896.

*Resolved* I. That the Synod has heard with profound sorrow of the removal of the Rev. William S. Wightman from the scene of his earthly labors and from his sweet fellowship with us in the Lord's service. And yet we are thankful that it is our privilege not to sor-

row "even as others which have no hope."

II. That we record our admiration of his earnest and efficient work in his church, in missionary operations and in the Mariners' Home, largely a work of intelligent and thorough indoctrination in the Calvinistic system, a work owned and blessed of the Lord in the ingathering of souls and the edification of Christians.

III. That we record with heartfelt emotion and appreciation the depth and strength of our brother's convictions of the truth of the Calvinistic system of doctrine and of the intimate connection in his mind and heart between these doctrines and the grounds of his personal salvation and hope. These convictions led him to renounce very much that is precious, tender and sacred in his early training, and to sever very strong ties and loved associations.

IV. That we shall ever associate with our brother in our affectionate remembrance his beloved wife who fell asleep in Jesus but five days before his death. She was the companion of his youth, his loving counsellor and sympathizer and his devoted and consecrated co-worker in all the service and toil of his ministry. "They were lovely and pleasant in their lives and in their death they were not divided." Together they rest from their common labors and "their works do follow them."

V. That our hearts go out in the deepest sympathy to the orphan children of our brother and sister, so suddenly bereft of the loving care of both parents. We commend them to the faithful love and mercies of their covenant keeping God, and point them to him who has said, "Leave thy fatherless children, I will preserve them alive", and who calls himself the "Father of the fatherless," who has promised, "As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you."

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## XI.

### MEMORIAL OF THE REV. D. E. FRIERSON, D. D.

February 14, 1818, in Williamsburg Co., S. C., Rev. David E. Frierson was born. He graduated at South Carolina College in 1839; and in 1842 he finished his theological course at Columbia Seminary. His first wife was Miss R. E. Crossland, to whom he was married in 1842; to his second, Mrs. A. L. McIntyre, he was united in 1866.

Dr. Frierson died August 29th, 1896, leaving four daughters and eight sons.

Such are dates that not only span a life of nearly four-score years, but they indicate as well some of the points of interest. But in this instance, as in many other sketches, dry dates tell nothing of the power and usefulness of the life punctuated by them. He labored at Bennettsville, Marion, Hopewell and Anderson. He was pastor of Anderson Church 23 years.

Few men have been as well equipped by nature, by culture and by

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grace for the position he occupied, as was Dr. Frierson. The purest English fell from his lips and flowed from his pen, whenever he spoke or wrote. And being pure minded and spiritual, his conversation easily and often turned heavenward. How gentle he was as pastor, and yet sublimely vigorous in denouncing sin! As a theologian he was deep and broad. He was an exact scholar and a ready debater. Wherever he went and with whomsoever he associated, his dignity and his approachableness attracted all classes.

The universal esteem in which he was held was emphasized especially when this servant of God was laid to rest. On that Sabbath day when he had expected to hold a communion service for a neighboring church, an immense congregation assembled to pay his memory honor. All ages and all denominations, Gentiles and Jews, white and black, some from their homes many miles in the country around, testified to the fact that every one had lost a friend.

We shall miss our departed friend and brother, but let us cherish the memory of his blessed influence by remembering the counsels of peace which he always advocated.

To the sorrowing ones, nearest his daily life we extend our hearty sympathy, praying our heavenly Father to keep them and bless them and save them, and at last unite them with him above.

Dr. Frierson's last Sabbath service was telling the old story to a prisoner in his cell. The next Sabbath was spent by the Throne in glory.

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| 1. Pres. of Bethel.                         |                         |                         |                      |          |                 |                 |            |                |             |             |           |              |                   |                |                 |               |                |               |              |              |              |                 |
| D. W. Harrison, infirm.                     | Yorkville, S. C.,       | Tirzah, P.,             | 7                    | 6        | 12              | 4               | 196        | 10             | 94          | 14          | 134       | \$86         | \$9               | \$6            | \$2             | \$3           | \$5            | \$120         | \$8          | \$393        | \$100        |                 |
| W. W. Raichford, P.,                        | Walkrun, N. C.,         | Waxhaw, S., S.,         | 2                    | 2        | 2               | 2               | 32         | 7              | 5           | 2           | 25        | 20           | 2                 | 2              | 3               | 2             | 1              | 4             | 83           | 12           | 5            |                 |
| James Douglas, L.,                          | Careton's Store, S. C., | Mt. Olivet, P.,         | 4                    | 4        | 2               | 2               | 66         | 3              | 4           | 43          | 25        | 17           | 2                 | 8              | 1               | 4             | 1              | 4             | 175          | 12           | 2            |                 |
| John G. Hall, P.,                           | Chester,                | Peasant Grove, P. E.,   | 6                    | 6        | 4               | 4               | 147        | 1              | 9           | 53          | 14        | 100          | 46                | 25             | 33              | 8             | 6              | 5             | 5            | 299          | 72           | 4               |
| H. B. Pratt, Evans,                         | Rossville,              | Catholi, P. E.,         | 4                    | 4        | 6               | 6               | 136        | 2              | 10          | 67          | 25        | 126          | 60                | 14             | 33              | 7             | 11             | 8             | 6            | 14           | 281          | 642             |
| J. H. Thornwell, D. D., P.,                 | Laredo, Texas           | Fort Mill, P.,          | 7                    | 7        | 13              | 185             | 5          | 2              | 50          | 21          | 1         | 307          | 16                | 50             | 16              | 20            | 46             | 25            | 6            | 24           | 750          | 178             |
| " " " "                                     | " " " "                 | Ebenezer, P.,           | 7                    | 7        | 4               | 7               | 108        | 5              | 50          | 8           | 13        | 70           | 45                | 16             | 51              | 20            | 106            | 25            | 6            | 18           | 700          | 114             |
| J. E. Jordan, D. D., P.,                    | Old Point, S. C.,       | Scion, P.,              | 6                    | 7        | 2               | 124             | 5          | 5              | 13          | 70          | 41        | 19           | 6                 | 10             | 13              | 7             | 6              | 6             | 6            | 660          | 268          | 53              |
| J. L. McIn, <i>in trans</i> ,               | Wimshoro,               | Lancaster, P.,          | 8                    | 5        | 1               | 6               | 151        | 2              | 45          | 9           | 94        | 26           | 13                | 35             | 11              | 13            | 12             | 6             | 2            | 16           | 500          | 65              |
| C. W. Humphreys, D. D., P.,                 | Lancaster,              | Douglas, P.,            | 6                    | 3        | 6               | 2               | 54         | 2              | 83          | 8           | 35        | 12           | 5                 | 30             | 6               | 2             | 3              | 2             | 4            | 1            | 5            | 277             |
| J. R. Millard, S. S.,                       | Richburg, "             | Richburg, S., S.,       | 6                    | 6        | 4               | 2               | 54         | 1              | 7           | 6           | 35        | 12           | 5                 | 30             | 6               | 2             | 3              | 2             | 4            | 1            | 5            | 350             |
| " " " "                                     | Rodman, "               | Fishing Creek, S., S.,  | 8                    | 3        | 2               | 1               | 68         | 1              | 3           | 34          | 5         | 25           | 16                | 3              | 10              | 3             | 3              | 10            | 2            | 6            | 6            | 19              |
| J. M. McLain, P.,                           | Beth Salem, S. S.,      | Allison, Creek, P.,     | 7                    | 4        | 3               | 2               | 86         | 3              | 6           | 6           | 64        | 18           | 1                 | 30             | 14              | 2             | 4              | 4             | 8            | 332          | 10           |                 |
| " " " "                                     | Newport,                | Beth Shiloh, P.,        | 5                    | 6        | 1               | 2               | 75         | 1              | 6           | 6           | 64        | 18           | 1                 | 4              | 1               | 4             | 1              | 4             | 6            | 300          | 3            |                 |
| W. B. McIlwaine, F. M.,                     | Kochi, Japan,           | Clover, P.,             | 5                    | 4        | 8               | 105             | 1          | 9              | 91          | 13          | 173       | 60           | 11                | 35             | 21              | 18            | 31             | 10            | 5            | 400          | 104          |                 |
| S. H. Hay, P.,                              | Clover, S. C.,          | Bethsheba, P.,          | 5                    | 8        | 1               | 6               | 151        | 1              | 14          | 125         | 13        | 90           | 32                | 9              | 25              | 15            | 10             | 5             | 5            | 10           | 363          | 29              |
| W. B. White, F. M.,                         | Yorkville, S. C.,       | Colton, Cal.,           | Bethel, P.,          | 5        | 3               | 2               | 313        | 2              | 8           | 125         | 22        | 100          | 241               | 24             | 24              | 6             | 13             | 19            | 20           | 15           | 1005         | 119             |
| D. S. McAllister, P.,                       | Bull's Creek, S. C.,    | Bull's Creek, P.,       | 5                    | 1        | 1               | 150             | 10         | 80             | 59          | 7           | 5         | 5            | 2                 | 2              | 9               | 4             | 2              | 17            | 120          | 354          | 4            |                 |
| J. B. Swain, P.,                            | McConnellsville,        | Oliver, P.,             | 5                    | 6        | 1               | 130             | 6          | 10             | 12          | 75          | 32        | 6            | 5                 | 5              | 1               | 2             | 1              | 2             | 50           | 145          | 90           |                 |
| " " " "                                     | S. S.,                  | Mt. Pleasant, S. S.,    | 4                    | 3        | 1               | 58              | 18         | 4              | 35          | 4           | 3         | 2            | 4                 | 1              | 4               | 1             | 2              | 1             | 2            | 145          | 951          |                 |
| D. N. McLauchlin, P.,                       | Kirkpatrick,            | Ridgeway, P.,           | 6                    | 5        | 17              | 23              | 388        | 4              | 8           | 160         | 31        | 225          | 163               | 30             | 90              | 35            | 35             | 56            | 25           | 13           | 256          |                 |
| Alexander Sprunt, D. P.,                    | Chester,                | Rock Hill First, P.,    | 8                    | 11       | 38              | 33              | 444        | 10             | 149         | 31          | 316       | 713          | 70                | 429            | 16              | 29            | 193            | 14            | 6            | 30           | 1596         |                 |
| W. M. McPhee, D. D., Prof. Columbia, N. C., | Hock Hill,              | Six Mile Creek, S., S., | Bethel, S. C.,       | 2        | 2               | 57              | 26         | 4              | 53          | 4           | 53        | 2            | 2                 | 6              | 69              | 35            | 23             | 20            | 21           | 1            | 150          |                 |
| W. K. Boggs, <i>in trans</i> ,              | Vanwick,                | Beniah, S. S.,          | Bull's Creek, P.,    | 3        | 3               | 9               | 310        | 8              | 131         | 24          | 176       | 1000         | 33                | 71             | 2               | 1             | 2              | 1             | 2            | 127          | 120          |                 |
| W. G. Neville, P.,                          | Yorkville,              | Harmony, P.,            | 9                    | 8        | 4               | 2               | 1          | 30             | 3           | 25          | 3         | 3            | 2                 | 2              | 1               | 2             | 1              | 2             | 1            | 313          | 38           |                 |
| J. W. McClellan, P.,                        | Bascomville,            | Cedar Shoals, P.,       | 3                    | 4        | 1               | 42              | 2          | 5              | 15          | 4           | 24        | 17           | 4                 | 10             | 1               | 4             | 5              | 2             | 1            | 2            | 188          |                 |
| J. H. Wilson, P.,                           | Port Lawn,              | Port Lawn, P.,          | 3                    | 7        | 1               | 1               | 19         | 2              | 9           | 6           | 25        | 10           | 3                 | 1              | 3               | 4             | 2              | 1             | 2            | 120          | 3            |                 |
| M. R. Kirkpatrick, P.,                      | Blackstocks,            | Concord, P.,            | 8                    | 6        | 2               | 4               | 203        | 1              | 8           | 120         | 25        | 91           | 19                | 28             | 8               | 15            | 4              | 2             | 16           | 800          | 295          |                 |
| J. K. Hall, P.,                             | Guthriesville,          | Bethesda, P.,           | 8                    | 8        | 13              | 248             | 1          | 3              | 101         | 19          | 140       | 75           | 23                | 50             | 11              | 6             | 12             | 5             | 8            | 20           | 226          |                 |
| James Russell, P.,                          | Wimshoro,               | Lebanon, P.,            | 6                    | 6        | 3               | 2               | 100        | 1              | 6           | 24          | 50        | 11           | 6                 | 12             | 5               | 8             | 10             | 300           | 90           |              |              |                 |
| " " " "                                     | Horeb,                  | Horeb, P.,              | 3                    | 3        | 10              | 23              | 1          | 2              | 23          | 2           | 23        | 12           | 4                 | 1              | 2               | 2             | 1              | 2             | 100          | 100          |              |                 |
| T. C. Liggin, P.,                           | Rockton,                | Union, P.,              | 3                    | 2        | 10              | 38              | 5          | 21             | 3           | 35          | 12        | 11           | 1                 | 3              | 5               | 3             | 1              | 2             | 130          | 5            |              |                 |
| " " " "                                     | Habbb.,                 | Zion, P.,               | 3                    | 2        | 106             | 5               | 5          | 13             | 105         | 54          | 12        | 9            | 5                 | 24             | 7               | 14            | 7              | 1             | 4            | 170          | 65           |                 |
| Lewis Turn-out,                             | Lowryville,             | Uriel, P.,              | 3                    | 4        | 66              | 1               | 20         | 5              | 60          | 10          | 5         | 2            | 7                 | 10             | 2               | 1             | 4              | 2             | 1            | 170          | 5            |                 |
| O. G. Jones, P. E.,                         | Flock Hill,             | White Mem'l, P. E.,     | 3                    | 2        | 55              | 16              | 3          | 40             | 15          | 2           | 1         | 4            | 1                 | 1              | 2               | 1             | 1              | 1             | 180          | 34           |              |                 |
| " " " S. S.,                                | Harmony,                | Hopewell, S., S.,       | 3                    | 2        | 7               | 2               | 73         | 1              | 64          | 7           | 70        | 4            | 4                 | 12             | 3               | 3             | 1              | 2             | 304          | 23           |              |                 |
| J. F. L. Winecoff, P.,                      | Sharon,                 | Harmony, P.,            | 3                    | 4        | 14              | 50              | 1          | 34             | 8           | 56          | 17        | 8            | 1                 | 4              | 1               | 3             | 1              | 2             | 1            | 251          | 9            |                 |
| " " " "                                     | Woodlawn, P.,           | Woodlawn, P.,           | 6                    | 6        | 2               | 4               | 99         | 1              | 1           | 2           | 4         | 99           | 10                | 2              | 8               | 1             | 2              | 5             | 2            | 240          | 2            |                 |

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| Thos. P. Hay,               |                             |     |
| J. W. T. Thompson, D. D.,   |                             |     |
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| C. E. Chieftain,            |                             |     |
| W. G. Vardell, P.,          |                             |     |
| Das. C. Oehler, P.          |                             |     |
| G. A. Blackburn, P.         |                             |     |
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| J. D. Taalock, D. D., Prof. |                             |     |
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